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## After four long years, deputies have a contract

by Cheryll Ruley  
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The last time union employees with the Crawford County Sheriff Department received a pay raise was January 1, 1998. The group includes command officers, deputies and corrections officers. Their last contract ended December 31, 1998.

After nearly four years of negotiations which appeared to be headed for arbitration at times, the County finalized a six year and nine month contract on December 21, 2001 with members of the Police Officers Association of Michigan and the Command Officers Association of Michigan. The new contract expires September 30, 2005.

The new contract is retroactive to January 1, 1999 and the length was chosen to coincide with the County's budget year.

"Many issues were brought to the table by both sides and agreed to initially, including wage increases," said Sheriff David Lovely. "But, it was always the intention of the County to alleviate acquiring long-term debt from the cost of post-retirement health care."

Part of the deputies' agreement with the County includes physical fitness of the Sheriff Department ranks. It was agreed that all those

hired from January 1, 1999 and on would be required to pass a fitness and agility test -- a sort of obstacle course -- appropriate to the position held by the employee. Lovely said eight union and three non-union employees fall into the category for annual testing.

Health club memberships have been provided to help get the men and women in shape before their first test this spring. If an employee fails the fitness and agility test he or she will be re-tested in six months. If a failure occurs at the second attempt, the employee will be sent to a doctor for an evaluation to ensure job duties can still be performed by the individual.

"This is a start. There will be many benefits that come from having a fitness program," Lovely said. "With people in better shape, there will be less absences, lower workers compensation costs and they will look more professional in their uniforms... giving them a more authoritative look," Lovely explained.

According to Controller Paul Compo, wage increases are: 4% for 1999, 6% for 2000, 4% for fiscal years 2001 and 2002, and 3% for fiscal years 2003 and 2004. The group also received an enhanced

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## 745th called to serve at Olympics

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

The Department of Defense has called National Guard units from 17 states to assist local law enforcement with security at the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah. One of those units is from Camp Grayling.

The 745th Ordnance Company (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) will spend three weeks in Salt Lake City as part of a 4,500 member support force authorized by DOD and U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft.

In calling up the 745th and other units, the DOD is attempting to head off any potential terrorist attack at the Olympics in the wake of the September 11, 2001 attacks in New York City, at the Pentagon, and in Pennsylvania.

Members of the 745th come from areas throughout Michigan, including Grayling, Gaylord, Traverse City, Elk Rapids, Marion, Fairview, Houghton Lake, Big Rapids, Holland, Lexington, Sterling Heights, and Westland. Also, some unit members travel from Cincinnati and Mt. Vernon, Ohio; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Lorton, Virginia. "Names of the 18 members of the 745th who will serve in Salt Lake City are not being released for security reasons," said Lt. Col. Tom Lamie of Camp Grayling Maneuver Training Center.

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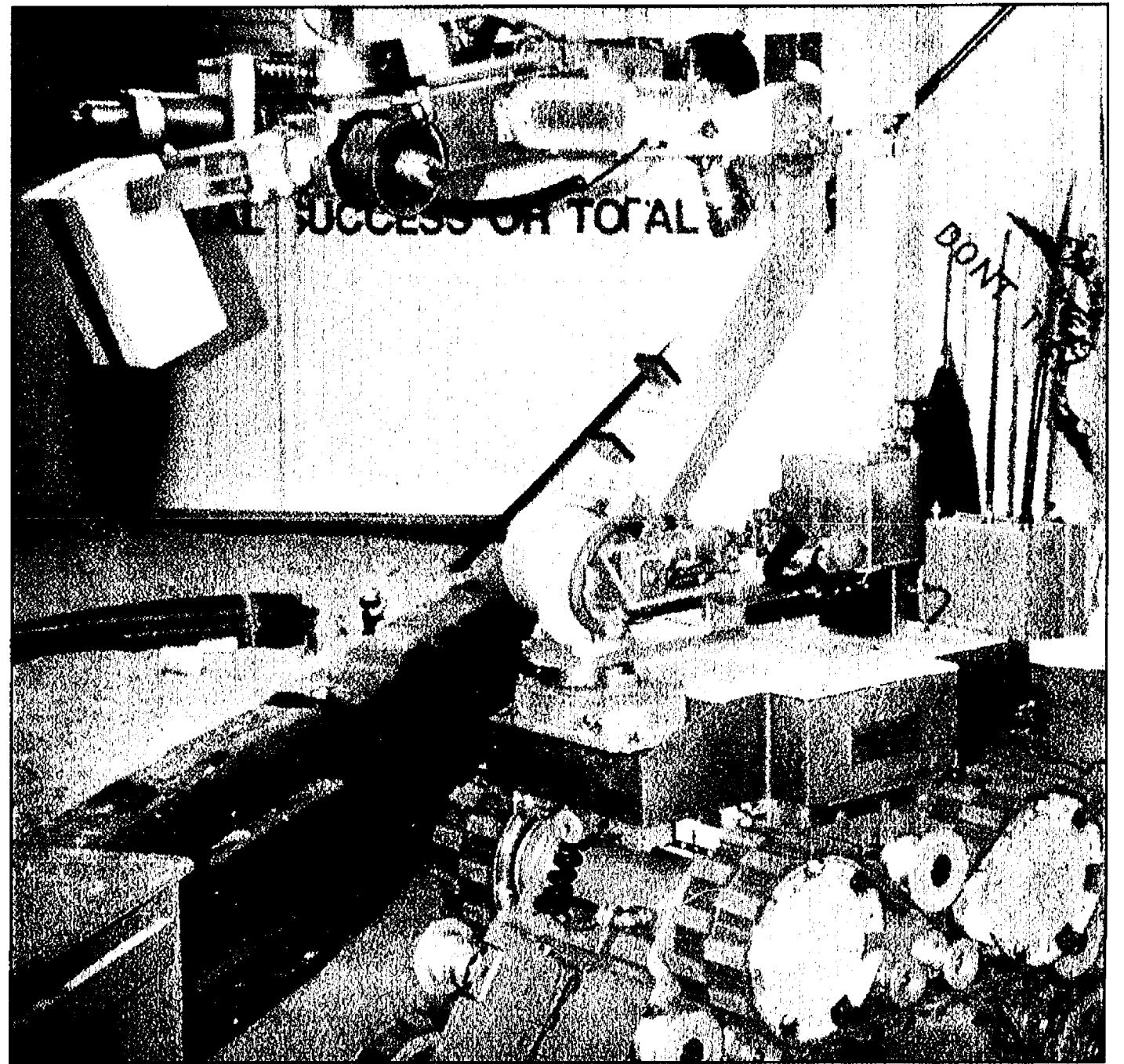


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Members of the 745th Ordnance Company out of Camp Grayling will be taking RONS the robot with them next month as they provide security for the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah. RONS is a highly-sophisticated Remote Ordnance Neutralization System designed to handle suspicious packages and other potentially dangerous items.

## M-72/M-93 area sees rash of thefts

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

At least 10 incidents of larceny and attempted larceny from vehicles, residents and one business were reported to the Crawford County Sheriff Department on January 10. The crimes were committed primarily in neighborhoods located in the M-72/M-93 area.

According to Undersheriff Kirk Wakefield, most of the items stolen were taken from unlocked vehicles. "Whoever is doing this is just going around flipping door handles to see what's unlocked and then taking whatever they can grab from inside," he said.

Items taken include loose change, cellular phones, CDs and cassette tapes, CD players, stereo equipment and speakers, and a fully loaded clip for an unspecified firearm. Wakefield compared the crimes to those experienced in the city of Grayling just before Christmas.

Also that day were reports of tire slashings in other areas of Grayling Township, but it is not known if the crimes are related. On January 7, two Grayling Township residents reported medication was stolen from their homes.

The Undersheriff said his department has not charged any suspects with the crimes, but the investigation continues on nab the culprits.

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## New home for Lovells' history to open this year

Near the same stretch of the AuSable River where Henry Ford and Thomas Edison once fished, a new and larger museum building is expected to open by the summer of 2002 in Lovells Township.

The new log structure is one phase of an estimated \$80,000 three-phase project being undertaken by the Lovells Township Historical Society, funded in part by a \$7,500 Great Lakes Energy People Fund grant.

The new building is near the Society's current home, the former Lone Pine Log School House, and is nearly three times as large. Many of the current museum items will be relocated from the old schoolhouse to the larger facility.

Additional items for the new museum are being sought as part of the project's second phase. "We wish to create high quality displays and acquire unique artifacts that reflect the influences that fishing, logging, railroad, resorts and pioneers had on the Lovells area," explained Glen Eberly, Historical Society board secretary. "We want to strengthen local pride in the rich historical tradition of the Lovells area."

The third phase of the project will be to refurbish the old schoolhouse so area school children and teachers can use it for "interactive historical school experiences."

Students will be able to work on slates in a one-room schoolhouse just like youngsters did when the school first opened in the early



Photo courtesy of Great Lakes Energy

The new and larger Lovells Township Historical Society museum building is expected to open this summer. A \$7,500 grant received from Great Lakes Energy helped make the project possible. The new building is located near the current museum in Lovells.

1900s," Eberly said. The old schoolhouse building has served as a museum for the Society for the last eight years.

In addition to museum artifacts, the Historical Society is seeking old desks for the school. Anyone with information on where they can be obtained, should contact Eberly at (248) 626-6515.

Cash contributions, such as the

Great Lakes Energy People Fund grant, are also being sought to help cover project costs.

The People Fund's sole source of revenue is Great Lakes Energy customer-owners, who allow their monthly electric bills to be rounded up to the next highest dollar with the extra cents going into the fund. All funds are returned to charitable and nonprofit groups

within the communities where they are collected, since there are no overhead or administrative costs.

Also receiving a grant recently from the People Fund was Mercy Hospital in Grayling. Great Lakes Energy granted \$2,000 for the purchase of a wheelchair accessible swing for the long-term care facility, Mercy Manor.

## Egg ornaments still available



The 2001 holiday season is now part of the past, but some local merchants still have plenty of the traditional Grayling Uptown District Association (GUDA) egg ornaments for sale at \$8 each.

Gannon Broadcasting is the featured business on the 2001 edition of the egg, but GUDA also ordered a special edition egg in honor of the September 11 attacks on America. Shown at left is one side of the egg decorated in a most patriotic manner.

Both the Gannon egg and the special God Bless America egg are still available for purchase at The Ice House Quilt Shop, J. Dap Co., Flowers by Josie and Riverland Gear -- all located in Uptown Grayling.

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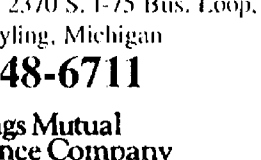
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## 745th called to serve at Olympics

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According to Lamie, the unit was chosen for the February 8-24 mission because of its unique training and capabilities. He said the 745th has participated in many deployments including DOD missions during Desert Shield/Desert Storm, and range-clearing operations in Panama, New Mexico and Utah.

Along with extensive knowledge of explosives disposal, the unit will be taking a piece of high-technology with them. RONS (Remote Ordnance Neutralization System), is a robotic search and destroy tool the 745th will be able to use if a suspicious package is found or other potential dangerous situation where human lives are at risk.

The robot is equipped with cameras, laser pointers and a 50 caliber disarmer that can detonate or destroy a suspicious item by shooting it with a slug or water, depending on the situation. RONS can be operated from just feet away or from a remote location using a monitor and controls. The robot can also be operated through the use of fiber optics when the detection of radio wave signals needs to be avoided.

The RONS robotic search and destroy unit is very versatile in that it can be operated from the site of a suspicious package, or from a remote location using this monitor to insure the operator's safety. The robot can also make itself taller or shorter, allowing it to reach up high or travel into small spaces in order to retrieve or detonate an item up to 70 lbs. in weight.

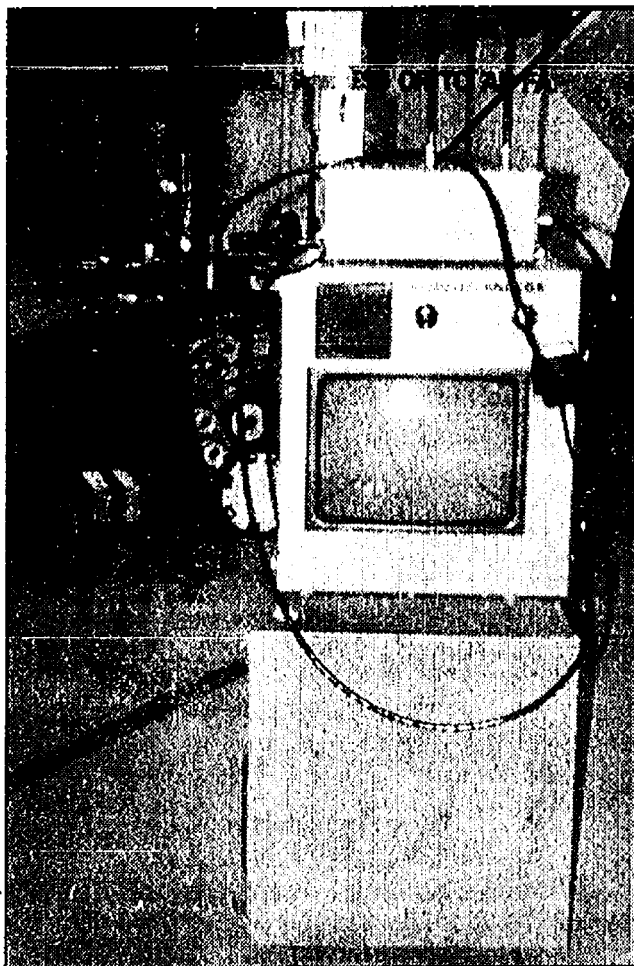
Photo by Cheryl Ruley

RONS has the capability to access just about any area to retrieve or destroy an item. The operator only has to signal the robot to become taller to reach objects up high or shorter -- compacting itself to fit into tight places. It can also climb stairs and has all-terrain capabilities.

The 745th boasts 16 members trained to operate RONS. Members must complete a 39-week school to

be certified for operation of the equipment.

The unit is in need of men and women "with dedication and some smarts" to be trained in explosive ordnance disposal and encourages those interested to call Lt. Col. Lamie at Camp Grayling, (989) 344-6107, for more information. A complete background check is performed on all people who want to serve in this capacity.



## Sentencing re-scheduled in Tironi CSC case

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

The sentencing phase in the trial of Michael Tironi came to a halt last week when the Kalkaska County Prosecutor asked the court to consider the testimony of two men who claim to have fallen victim to the defendant in their younger years.

Tironi, 40, was found guilty by a Kalkaska jury on November 29, 2001 of 2nd Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct and furnishing alcohol to minors stemming from a July, 2000 incident at his home near the Kalkaska/Crawford County lines involving a then 18-year old Roscommon man.

Prosecutor Brian Donnelly said he was ready January 8 to bring the men forward in court, but defense attorney Patrick Fragel argued against it. The Honorable Judge Dennis Murphy, of the 46th Circuit Trial Court, adjourned sentencing to consider allowing the testimony to be heard.

Donnelly has made a concerted effort to reach out to other alleged victims of "Tironi's sexual misbehavior" and so far, two men have come forward. Donnelly said both made agreements with

Tironi in the past to keep quiet about the incidents and allegedly received payments for their silence.

The Prosecutor said he believes the agreements are "void and unenforceable" because they are agreements to keep quiet about criminal activity. He said he hopes Judge Murphy will agree and allow the witness testimony. Donnelly said testimony showing a pattern of habitual misconduct may give Murphy incentive to hand down a tougher sentence.

Neither the name of the victim who brought the original complaint against Tironi to the Kalkaska County Sheriff Department, nor the names of the two witnesses and where they reside will be released in the *Avalanche* due to the nature of the case.

Tironi, who once owned and operated a Grayling teen center known as "Entertainment and Beyond," will be sentenced in Kalkaska's 46th Circuit Trial Court on Friday, January 25 at 10 a.m.

Tironi faces up to 15 years in state prison for the criminal sexual conduct conviction.

## Another deputy injured while assisting at crash

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

Michigan State Police (MSP) at the Houghton Lake Post are investigating a Monday afternoon crash in Lyon Township that left a Roscommon County Sheriff's Deputy injured. This is the second of this kind of accident to occur within a month.

According to the MSP, Deputy Dennis Freese was on the scene of a rollover accident on northbound US-27 near the 221 mile marker when the driver of an approaching vehicle apparently lost control and crashed into the rear of his patrol car. The impact sent the deputy's car off the highway and into a group of small saplings.

Deputy Freese received minor back injuries as a result and was taken to Mercy Hospital in Grayling where he was treated and released

later that day.

No one else involved in the crash was injured and the incident remains under investigation. Snowy road conditions, along with speed may have been factors in the accident; however, alcohol was not a factor.

In a similar incident in late December, Crawford County Sheriff's Det./Sgt. Rich Meyer was injured while assisting at the scene of an accident on December 20. Road conditions were similar that evening.

To help avoid anymore of these incidents, drivers are urged to be alert to emergency vehicle lights on the road ahead and slow down when roads are snow covered and slippery. Leave space enough to slow down or stop, if necessary, to avoid sudden braking when approaching the scene of an accident or where a tow truck is assisting a motorist.

## US-27 changes to US-127 this fall

As a way to reduce confusion along the US-27/US-127 corridor, the entire corridor will now be known as US-127, the Michigan Department of Transportation has announced.

"By having just one designation along this busy north/south route, it will eliminate the confusion and uncertainty for residents and visitors to Michigan," said State Transportation Director Gregory J.

Rosine. "Naming the entire corridor with one designation makes things much simpler."

Starting in the spring, crews will begin replacing all US-27 signs north of Lansing to where it meets with I-75 near Grayling, and along the business routes. All signs are expected to be converted to US-127 by this fall.

Replacement of the signs will have minimal impact on motorists. Work will be completed during non-peak hours to reduce possible inconveniences.

In addition to changing all US-27 signs north of Lansing, the majority of the dual designation signs (US-27 and I-69) in the southwest portion of the state have been changed. The US-27 portion of the signs will now be labeled only as I-69.

### Correction

In an article published in the January 10 edition of the *Avalanche* regarding Crawford County's receipt of \$500,000 into the tax revolving fund, an error was made as to the origin of the money.

According to former County Commissioner Dennis Long, \$1,000,000 was set aside following the sale of the landfill in 1992. Crawford and Otsego County have shared the interest earned from investment of the money over the last 10 years. The \$500,000 was not a direct result of a lawsuit (as stated) regarding environmental cleanup of the same landfill. From that lawsuit, Crawford County receives tipping fees which helps fund the County Environmental Monitor's office, recycling programs and other related activities.


We regret the error and any confusion it may have caused.

## Little girl is first baby of 2002



Photo courtesy of Mercy Hospital Grayling

Michelle Hancock (shown) and her husband, Don, are the proud parents of the first baby born in the new year at Mercy Hospital Grayling. Kamdyn Reece Hancock will join her nine brothers and sisters, ranging in age from two to 15 years old. The family is from Roscommon County where Michelle works in construction management and Don is a barber at a shop in St. Helen.



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# Library welcomes new director

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

With the ribbon cutting for the new Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library just around the corner, the Library Board hired a new director to oversee operations at the main branch, as well as those located in Beaver Creek, Frederic, and Lovells Townships.

Edward Elsner, age 28, was hired recently by the Library Board because of his enthusiasm, preparedness and educational background.

Elsner was born and raised, and spent most of his life so far, in the Flint-area community of Flushing. Elsner said from the time he was in middle school he just knew he wanted a career in mechanical engineering... that was until he got his formal education and went out into the workday world of that field and found, "it was just all about the money!" and it demanded a tremendous amount of hours to reach unrealistic deadlines.

From that point, Elsner opted to continue his education and just recently received his Master of Library Science degree from the University of Kentucky. And why not, he is a big reader and he enjoys helping people find answers to questions and locate books of interest.

Besides his degree, Elsner has some other background worth noting and he believes it will help him get to know the community he's been hired to serve. Elsner has served as a volunteer for about a year and a half at the Red Bird Mission located in the Appalachian Mountains in Beverly, Kentucky.

At Red Bird, sponsored by the United Methodist Church, he worked with kids of all ages in the library. The mission facility includes a community health center and a Kindergarten through 12th grade school. He also has worked as a tutor. Elsner said it was a very rewarding experience

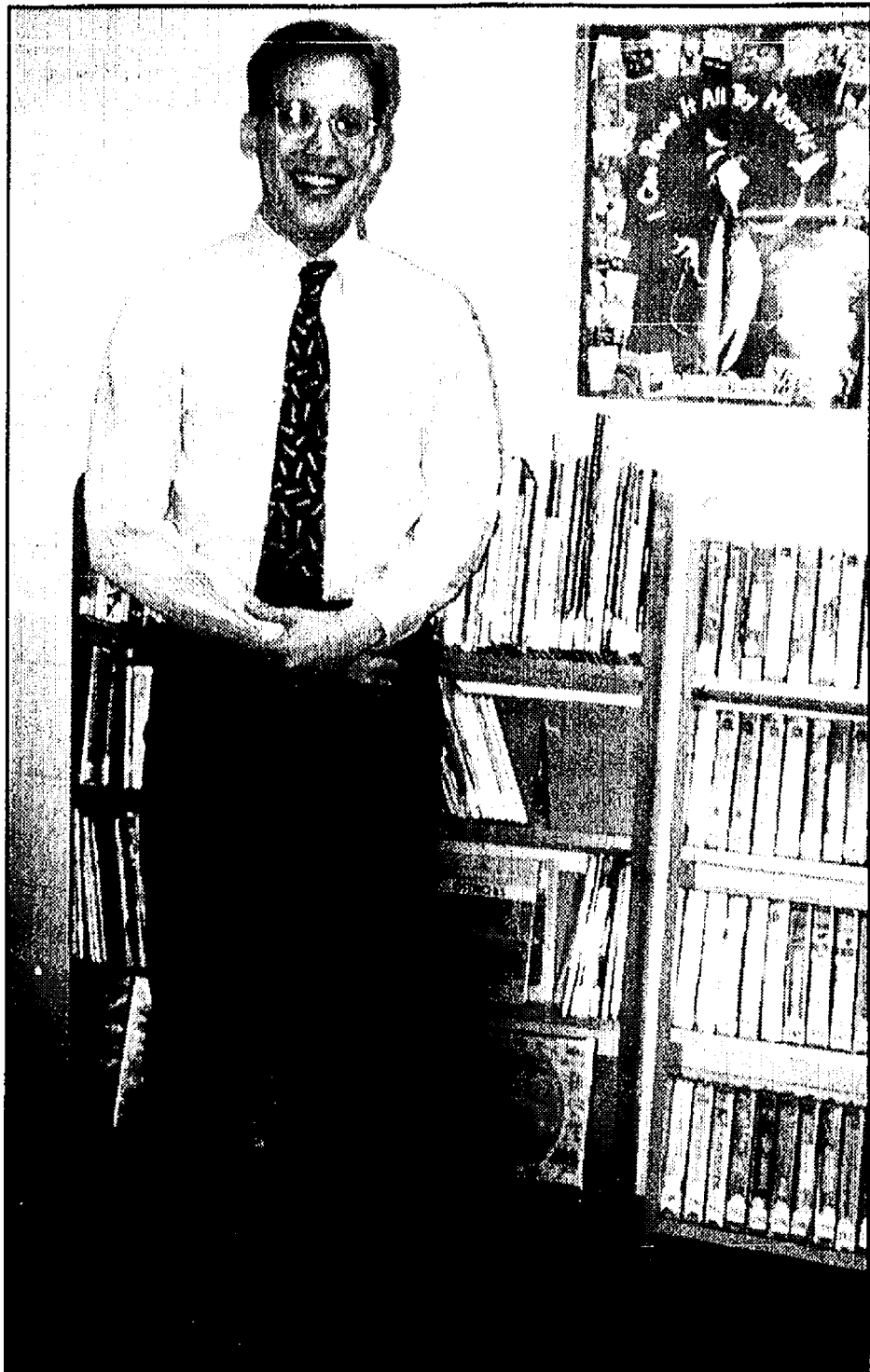


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**The Crawford County Library Board recently hired Edward Elsner as the new Library Director. He holds a Master of Library Science degree from the University of Kentucky.**

for him.

Elsner's educational background also fits the State's criteria to ensure financial support from Lansing.

The official ribbon-cutting at the new library, located on Plum Street in Grayling, is scheduled for March 15 at 12 noon. Everyone is invited to stop in and see the new, state-of-the-art facility.

Elsner said he looks forward to working with everyone. He is

especially anxious to help adults and kids alike with computer technology and he plans to make the Summer Reading Program for kids one of his top priorities.

"The biggest benefit of having the new library built next to the elementary schools is that it will draw young readers who will bring their parents who we also hope to make reading enthusiasts... if they aren't already," Elsner said. "It is a perfect location."

## 2002 Jr. Miss contestants working toward big night

Eleven Grayling High School junior girls are working hard, getting ready for the pageant scheduled for February 16. They have already helped at Santa's Breakfast and the annual Christmas Walk in downtown Grayling. The young ladies have also been busy with the following projects:

- The contestants are getting into shape for their physical fitness workout with the help and knowledge of Cathy Hehir who hopes to make this part of the program something the girls and the audience will enjoy.

- Young ladies who are more comfortable in flat shoes are learning to walk with grace and skill in heels and long gowns.

- ABWA members have formulated classes in self-respect aimed at giving every contestant a new idea of what she can achieve by believing in herself.

- Mock interviews will be held on January 18 where the girls will face a panel of local men and women who will ask questions on many subjects to find out if they can think quickly. This will get the contestants ready for program day when the real judges will interview each girl in depth.

While the girls try to juggle school work, social obligations and Junior Miss rehearsals -- the contestants' experience is not without fun. A trip to Kirtland Community College will help with make-up and include a massage. A pool party is planned at the Super 8 Motel along with the very special Friendship Luncheon.

Look for the contestants at the annual Chamber \$10,000 Raffle at the Holiday Inn on January 26 when they will be acting as hostesses for the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce.

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retirement package of which they must contribute at least 1.5% of their wages. No post-retirement healthcare will be offered to those hired after October 1, 2001.

Shortly after the contract was signed and just a few days before Christmas, those falling under the new contract received retroactive pay back to January 1, 2000. Checks were issued in amounts ranging from just over \$1,000 to about \$11,500 each. The employees

sacrificed the back pay they could have received for 1999. In total, the retroactive pay came to \$258,552.62.

Tom Coors and Rich Meyer represented the union employees during the years-long negotiations with the County Commissioners, with Personnel & Labor Chair Shelley Pinskielman playing a major role. Corrections Administrator Scott Feldhauser signed the contract for the employees in Meyer's absence due to hospitalization following an

on-duty motor vehicle accident December 20, 2001.

## M-72/M-93 area sees rash of thefts

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"People really need to keep their car doors locked and need to pay attention to what's going on around them," Wakefield said. "This is all part of what the Neighborhood Watch program is all about -- being good neighbors and keeping an eye out for suspicious situations."

He also had advice for those living in the outlying areas. "Those of you who live out of town need to take the time before leaving your home to lock your garage and your house. There are guys out there

who are searching for an easy grab and they will definitely take what they can find access to."

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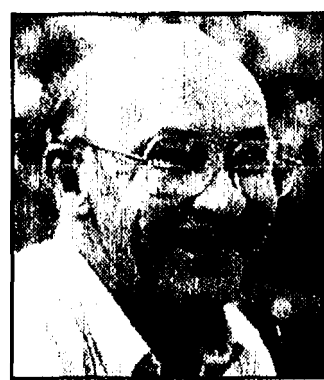
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

# Most legislative problems carry dollar sign

THE FINAL Michigan legislative session under term-limited Gov. John Engler riding herd as governor is upon us. The problems this year are mighty.

Most of them carry dollar signs.

The economy has sagged, and tax revenues have sagged with it. The state faces the specter of deficits for the current fiscal year and again for the next fiscal year which begins October 1.

The September 30 year end shortage may be stemmed by cutting already-enacted spending programs plus draining the "rainy day" fund and other assorted state cookie jars.

The expected shortfall for next year could be \$1.4 billion based on current estimates of revenue and spending. That's quite a problem.

When Mr. Engler took over as governor in 1991, state government faced a deficit and the Michigan economy was in recession.

When he leaves at the end of 2002, ditto.

Life goes on.

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MICHIGAN IS NOT alone in enduring fiscal pain. In a recent roundup story about problems facing state governments in 2002, Associated Press reported "virtually

every state will be forced to trim, if not eliminate programs" because of money problems.

Michigan schools have been warned they won't receive the \$6,700 per student in state aid projected for next year, maybe not even the \$6,500 planned this year. Where do schools get the make-up funds?

Every state operating department has been instructed to cut spending. In most cases, if spending is cut, so are services. How and where to cut are the sore points.

Much of the money problem can be traced to the national economy, which is mirrored in most states, including Michigan.

"I think everyone knows that during the good times we all share in the joy and during the bad times we all share in the pain," commented State Sen. John Schwarz of Battle Creek. "These are the bad times."

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ONE PLACE WHERE the money pinch will not be felt is the pocketbooks of members of the legislature. House and senate members received a 36 percent pay raise in 2001, and another 2.9 percent in 2002.

That boosts their pay to \$79,650 a year, second highest in the nation, trailing only California at \$99,000 and a jot ahead of New York at \$79,500. All three are full

time legislatures.

These pay levels were ordered a year ago by the constitutional State Officers Compensation Commission (SOCC), which sets pay levels for legislators, the governor and lieutenant governor, and supreme court justices. What the SOCC orders is law, unless rejected by both chambers of the legislature.

Last year the state house voted to turn down the raises, but the senate refused to vote on the question and the new salary levels automatically became law.

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RESENTMENT LINGERS around the state about how the legislature handled the pay raise. By not rejecting it, they accepted it.

Voter resentment may not be felt at the polls this year, however, because most of the senators who sat silent permitting their pay to increase -- and thus their retirement benefits also to rise -- must leave the senate because of term limits.

Meanwhile, the Michigan Civil Service Commission approved much more reasonable pay increases for the state's 65,000 civil service workers -- two percent next October, three percent in another year, and four percent in the third year.

Civil Service also suggested higher pay for department heads and other top state employees by at least three percent, and up to 10 percent based on merit.

Michigan taxpayers should remain alert on the payroll front. The SOCC meets again next fall for its semi-annual look at pay for legislators, governor, lieutenant governor and justices.

Rarely does SOCC meet without ordering higher pay, and never have pay reductions been ordered.

Maybe 2002 will be a good time to reverse the tradition.

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POINTS TO PONDER from *Rotarian* magazine:

-- Millions of people who long for immortality don't know what to do with themselves on a rainy weekend afternoon.

-- When you're over the hill, you pick up speed.

-- If everything seems to be coming your way, you're probably in the wrong lane.

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*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## 'Bible Speaks' makes 'sinful attempt to mislead?'

To the editor,

The Thursday, December 27, 2001, edition of *The Avalanche* contained an article on the "Opinion Page" under the title "The Bible Speaks: Mohammed or Christ?" This article portrayed a comparative analysis between Mohammed, the Last Prophet of Islam, and Jesus Christ, the common Messiah of both Christianity and Islam, as subjectively and illusively conceived by the unidentified author(s) representing the Calvary Baptist Church. This article is infected with ignorance and unfounded, distasteful misinformation about multiple monumental figures and personalities, including Islam, Christianity, Judaism, the livelihood of both Mohammed and Christ, and about the factual known history of Christianity and Islam, in general. It is obvious that the Calvary Baptist Church is in grave error to have allowed their authors/representatives to portray their twisted and warped "unChristian-like" version and interpretation of the world's greatest religions and their personalities in such a degrading, thoughtless,

and uneducated insulting manner. The Calvary Baptist Church stands to be corrected on multiple levels due to its total lack of knowledge and its medieval ignorance and arrogance reflected in its fruitless, shameful, propagandist attempt to mislabel Islam in particular and misrepresent Christianity in general.

The authors, writers, editors, sponsors, and any representative of the Crawford County *Avalanche* are also directly and indirectly responsible for this careless distribution of misinformation to its readers and the public. Even though your staff and sponsors may cite the disclaimer that some "views and opinions" are not necessarily reflective of the *Avalanche*, the fact that this article is under the heading "The Bible Speaks," which is a "paid advertisement," does not render the *Avalanche* or any of its promoters immunity from falsely propagating this type of media and unlawfully slandering Islam directly and Christianity indirectly. No amount of money or any type of compensation could possibly account for the desire or obligation that the

*Avalanche* had in printing and distributing this erroneous piece of imaginative history and cowardly interpretation of Islam and Christianity.

As members of the Muslim community who share a mutual perpetual respect with our Christian neighbors and other religious communities, we seek an unbiased, objective and clear explanation from both the Crawford County *Avalanche* and the Calvary Baptist Church in identifying the hateful motives behind and the shameless cause for printing and distributing such immoral offensive publications in the sinful attempt to mislead the non-Muslim public by openly and disgracefully offending both Muslims and Christians alike.

The least gesture by which to remedy this regrettable publication is to deliver a public apology to all of your readers in general, and to the Muslim community in particular. Anything less would be improper, undiplomatic, and certainly unacceptable. No events in history, remote or recent, especially the attacks of September 11, are an excuse to be unrelentingly ignorant,

privately, or worst, publicly. We also challenge any member of the Crawford County *Avalanche* and the Calvary Baptist Church to come forward participating in a dignified and respectful dialogue to better communicate and understand both Islam and Christianity, both Mohammed and Christ. Any hesitation may only further stain the image of both the *Avalanche* and the representation of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Please feel free to contact me or Imam Mohammed Ali Elahi at the Islamic House of Wisdom. We strongly urge you to congenially and fully cooperate in satisfactorily resolving this very regrettable matter. Thank you.

Mohamad Bazzi, M.D.  
Dearborn Heights

*Editor's note: "The Bible Speaks" appears each week on the same page as the Church Directory, not the Opinion Page, and is a paid advertisement therefore it is not to be considered a news article.*

## Senior says Selesky doesn't understand

To the editor,

I am a Senior Citizen who lives at 308 Lawndale next to the Senior Center, and seniors want their rightful way of making their desires and wishes known. They want Barbara Selesky off the COA Board.

We want more seniors involved with our activities and services, and they are always welcomed with open

arms. The love and caring expressed in this Center is unbelievable. I have lived here one and a half years and I love the Center. I feel safe here, happy here, and cared for here. If I need help I ask, and I get it and I have yet to hear of one person who is unhappy with our Center.

What is Ms. Selesky's plan for getting more seniors to the Center?

She has not offered one at any of the meetings. I tell everyone I meet about our Center. This Center reaches more seniors because it is surrounded by senior apartments and living places for blocks around. I would not get on a bus to go to a Center at Four Mile Road. I am going to be 80 in April. She does not take into consideration that seniors do not adapt to change well and it is not easy for them to get out sometimes.

There are more activities here than I could ever go to. We have day trips, several bingos, cards, Bible study, adult education classes, exercise, line dancing, stag cards, Euchre Club, Bridge Club and other cards, free movies and with free hot popcorn and ice cream, Cardio, hangman, blood pressure checks, Uno Attack and a host more; like two Sunday brunches a month and a once a month Sunday Potluck, with games after. There are seniors from all walks of life here. No one is "select." We are all for one and one for all.

You better believe she created a fervor among the seniors here when she wanted to move the Center elsewhere. They felt frightened. I felt

frightened and threatened. I would lose what I love; my home, my friends, my way of life. She never said to create another Center elsewhere - it was this Center that she wanted to move.

This Center is perfectly located. We have access to a drug store, grocery store, churches, eating places; all within walking distance. Very few seniors maintain a car and must use Dial-a-Ride.

Not once has she ever presented a plan for anything, that we know of. If she had the welfare of the seniors in mind (which is obvious to us that she did not) her approach was really, really bad news for us. She really doesn't understand the seniors at all - so cease and desist - we don't need help like that.

This is already the best Senior Center in the state. This Center works and the state needs more like it!

I don't believe that she is well intended. She seems to thrive on conflict and trouble. If there isn't any, she creates it.

We want Barbara Selesky off the COA Board.

Betty L. Brooks  
Grayling

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## VIEWPOINT

Brad Jensen, Huron Pines RC&D Watershed Coordinator

## Where does the water go?

It can be difficult, in the middle of winter's freezing cold temperatures, to think about the time when those large piles of snow, piles that took months to build, suddenly melt away. Along with the banishment of wool clothes to the closet and the return of the robin, spring snowmelt is an event welcomed by many.

Unfortunately, as the meltwater runs across the surface of the land, it picks up all of the oils, greases, road salt, dissolved metals, and trash in its path. The deposit area for all of this material is quite often our lakes and streams.

Rain creates a similar problem to the snowmelt phenomenon, and collectively these processes are referred to as stormwater runoff. While both rainstorms and snowmelt are natural events, our development patterns on the landscape often lead to runoff problems that would otherwise not occur.

Addressing these problems is essential to keeping pollutants out of the water, maintaining relatively stable water levels, and ensuring that high quality lakes and streams live up to the adjective that describes them.

In much of the sandy soil areas of Northern Michigan, water readily drains into and moves through the ground, eventually feeding the region's lakes and streams. This process helps to filter out pollutants, maintain cold water temperatures, and stabilize flow.

For regions that have a clay soil or a lot of pavement, a much higher percentage of the water runs across the land surface. Such impermeable surfaces create "flashier" streams; that is, both drought and flood situations are more common than in a stable, groundwater-fed system.

In areas that have been developed and where runoff drains directly into a body of surface water, stormwater control measures are needed. These measures will eliminate (preferably) the direct discharge of runoff to surface water and/or treat any discharge that does occur. Treatment options involve constructing wetlands, using

mechanical removal, or directing runoff to infiltration basins. Often these measures are used together for better results.

In intensely developed urban areas, implementing runoff control measures can be a challenge. The content of the runoff is generally more polluted than it would be in a less developed area, and there is often little room for effective treatment options like filtration through wetlands.

In modern times, the philosophy used to address stormwater is to treat the runoff on-site, attacking pollution at its source. Generally, a new development should be able to handle its own runoff and the water should not simply be funneled to other areas. If it is not handled on-site, it simply becomes a problem for someone else or, more commonly, is left to run its course to the lake without any treatment at all. Developing a plan for stormwater is the key to keeping it from being a problem. Like anything else, prevention is the best medicine.

Several counties in Northern Michigan have recently made the commitment to ensure that polluted runoff from new developments will not foul the waters that the community is so dependent on for recreation, tourism, and quality of life. These counties have adopted a Stormwater Management Ordinance.

Such an ordinance requires a plan that can demonstrate how surface runoff will be managed, taking into account such variables as the amount of impervious surface that a new development may include, the proximity of the development to a waterbody, the contour of the land, they type of soils in the area, and precipitation patterns.

The efforts of counties to manage stormwater runoff have taken a lot of foresight on their part and will result in long-term savings down the road. Without such planning, stormwater runoff becomes a forgotten issue. Forgotten, that is, until the robin returns.

## Correction

In a letter to the editor from Marianne Gosnell, Crawford County Toys for Tots Coordinator, (January 3) acknowledgement of a local participating business was inadvertently omitted. North Central Area Credit Union served as a 2001 Toys for Tots Campaign collection location. We regret the omission and any confusion it may have caused.

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The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of *The Crawford County Avalanche*.



# BRIEFS

## Hospice offers volunteer training

Mercy Amicare Homecare and Hospice will be holding Hospice Volunteer Trainings January 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Grayling Amicare Office, 125 Michigan Avenue, Grayling. Hospice provides in-home care for individuals with life-threatening illnesses, and is certified to provide service through Medicare, Medicaid, Blue Cross and other insurances. Volunteers are needed to assist a growing number of families in the Amicare service area which covers Crawford, Roscommon, and parts of Otsego, Ogemaw, Kalkaska and Oscoda counties. Volunteers are generally assigned to families within the community in which they reside. To register for either trainings or for more information, please contact Sherry at (989) 348-4383 or 1-800-424-1457 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or leave a message with the After Hours Coordinator during non business hours.

## Rotary grand prize winner announced

The 2001 Rotary Calendar winners for December were Paul Lerg - \$50 and Grand Prize winner Roy Spangler received \$5,000.

## Sign up to help homeless animals

Just a reminder -- It's never too late to sign up for the Glen's Market Spartan "Serving You More" (escrip.com) program to help the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. Just pick up a form at the customer service counter, write in the group #34024, and remember to have your key tag or card scanned each trip to the market.

## Eastern Orthodox pastor to visit in TC

Father James Bogdan will make a pastoral visit to Traverse City on Saturday, January 19. He will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m. (Orthros at 9:30 a.m.) at Grace Episcopal Church, which is located at 341 Washington Street, across from the courthouse, in Traverse City. A social gathering will follow. All faithful are invited to attend the service. For additional information, call (231) 932-6868.

## Rotary Pot of Gold winners announced

Grayling Rotary Club's Pot of Gold Raffle winners for January are Cliff Wheeler - \$100, Wayne Johns - \$50, and Michele Compo - \$25.

## Lions Lucky 13 raffle winner named

The Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 Raffle winner of \$100 for Week 2 is Ed Malinowski, Jr. of Grayling.

## Secretary of State closed for holiday

All Secretary of State branch offices, including the one in the Grayling Mini Mall, will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day, Monday, January 21. For more information, visit the Department of State web site at: [www.sos.state.mi.us/](http://www.sos.state.mi.us/).

## Eastern Star to hold initiation ceremony

The Grayling Chapter #83 Order of Eastern Star (OES) will be holding an initiation into the order on January 16 at 7:30 p.m., at the Masonic Lodge located at 304 E. Michigan Avenue (next to the theatre). Refreshments to follow. Worthy Matron Katherine Garbe and Worthy Patron Bob Shaw presiding.

## Booster Club announces raffle winners

The Grayling Youth Booster Club 50/50 raffle winners of \$25 each for the week of January 13 were Carl Yost, Trudy Hawkins, Otto Brantley, and Sandy Thompson.

## Preschool winter raffle winners named

The winners of the Grayling Cooperative Preschool winter raffle were Natalie Caine of Flint, Maxine Svaluto of Frederic and Roger Chism of Roscommon. All were \$100 winners.

## Grayling Viking Band Boosters to meet

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters will hold its regular meeting on Thursday, January 17 at 7 p.m. in the high school band room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Local Democrats set meeting schedule

The Crawford County Democratic Party will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month starting April 10. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. in the Crawford County Courthouse basement. For more information, contact Clay Horton, Chairman, at (989) 348-8170.

## U of M Men's Glee Club to perform

On Friday evening, January 25, area audiences will be in for a rare treat as the nation's oldest men's glee club, the University of Michigan Men's Glee Club, will make a return appearance to the Joseph Strip Auditorium after a far too long absence.

It has been many years since the U of M Club, under the direction of Dr. Jerry Blackstone, last appeared as part of the Community Concert Series, and area audiences will be sure to enjoy a unique concert experience.

The Men's Glee Club provides a wide range of selections bound to please all. A unique aspect of the group is a presentation by the Friars, an a cappella group consisting of Glee Club members.

The doors to the auditorium at Grayling High School will open at 7:30 p.m. for this 8 p.m. curtain. Tickets at \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students may be purchased at the Crawford AuSable School District Central Office at 403 E. Michigan Avenue in

Grayling.

The University of Michigan Men's Glee Club presentation is made possible with the support of the MCACA (Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs), in partnership with area businesses and corporations and the Crawford AuSable School District Cultural Events Program.

## Grayling Middle School to host Parent Activity Night

All Grayling Middle School students and parents are invited to the school's second annual Parent Activity Night to be held on Thursday, January 24, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at GMS.

The once-a-year event, sponsored by GMS and its Parent Involvement Team, will have a variety of activities for students and their parents. Admission is free if students bring a parent, guardian, or other "caring adult."

Activities for students will include

open gym, games, and dancing.

For parents, there will be a presentation by Kalkaska students regarding "Asset Building" and mini-sessions on sports rules, computers, drug awareness, and art.

Information on Channel 1 and GMS Student Broadcasting will also be available.

The event will have pizza available for supper and snacks.

Child care will be provided on-site for children in grades five and under during the event.

## Learn steps to stop smoking

The Dean C. Burns Community Health Education Center's popular "Freedom from Smoking" course will once again be offered this winter. The sessions will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 22, 29, 31 and February 5, 12, 19, and 26 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The sessions are structured to offer group support during quit-smoking efforts. "Freedom from Smoking" is a program developed by the American Lung Association to provide information on physical

and psychological additions, relaxation techniques, nicotine patches and weight management tips. There is no fee for this program.

The Community Health Education Center is located at 360 Connable Avenue in Petoskey across from the main entrance to Northern Michigan Hospital. The Center is affiliated with the Northern Michigan Hospital Foundation.

For more information about "Freedom from Smoking," call HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777.

## Get 10 free river birch trees

Ten free river birch trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during January 2002.

The free trees are part of the non-profit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

"River birches will add year-round beauty to your home and neighborhood," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said. "Their cinnamon-colored, exfoliating bark and informal appearance give a natural look to a garden or planted area."

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting

between February 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bimonthly publication, *Arbor Day*, and *The Tree Book* with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to Ten Free River Birch Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 2002.

## Register now for 4-H Tiny Tot Swim Program

Registration has begun for the Tiny Tot Swim Program, sponsored by 4-H and Red Cross. Classes begin on January 28 and run for six weeks. Swim sessions run from 2 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. for three-year olds and 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for four-year olds.

Classes will be held at the Super 8 Motel in Grayling and the cost is \$18.

Register for classes at the Crawford County MSUE office, located in the basement of the court house. For more information, call the 4-H office at 344-3264.

## Applications being taken for airline screening jobs

WASHINGTON - U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) has outlined procedures for residents of northern Michigan to apply for an airport federal screening position.

"Under the new Transportation Security Act signed into law Nov. 19, the Department of Transportation (DOT) is responsible for hiring a considerable number of new federal security screeners," Stupak said. "This new security force will be comprised of highly qualified and well-trained U.S. citizens."

Standards and application procedures for these positions are expected to be in place by the end of the year, at which point the DOT will begin accepting applications. Stupak said there are two ways for people to let the DOT know now that they are interested in such a job.

"Individuals can e-mail their name and address to [screeners@ost.dot.gov](mailto:screeners@ost.dot.gov), or they can call the DOT toll-free at 1-866-404-1227 and leave a name and mailing

address," Stupak said. "The DOT will send application information as soon as it is available."

The DOT has said that regular updates on the application process will be available on its web site at [www.dot.gov](http://www.dot.gov).

Updates are also available at the web site of the Office of Personnel Management at [www.usajobs.opm.gov](http://www.usajobs.opm.gov) and the web site the Federal Aviation Administration, <http://jobs.faa.gov>.

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# The Bible Speaks

## We Love Muslims

Because we have spent much time exposing the errors of Allah, the Koran, and Muslim beliefs and practices, some might mistake our writings as hatred toward Muslims. On the contrary, we love Muslims as human beings, but we do hate the errors which are threatening the welfare of both them and all of us. Some might ask how can we separate people from their evil acts. We love them with the same love a Holy God showed to us while we were yet sinners. "For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead." (2 Cor 5:14) "But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved)" (Eph 2:4,5) "And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." (1 John 2:2) "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15) God loves the souls of Muslims, and so should we.

Some one might ask about our attitude toward those Muslims who are fighting us as our enemies, do we hate them? No! We hate their attitudes and actions, but we love their souls. As Jesus Christ taught us in Matthew 5:44: "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you." After September 11th even the faint hearted realize war is sometimes justified. Evil must be fought and destroyed either by words or by actions. When the enemy of our nation refuses to listen to words and insists upon warfare they leave us no other choice. But, even in war, we should be opposed to any form of hate crimes toward innocent Muslims in either the Middle East or in America.

There are no sinners so evil that God's

love cannot reach them. As the great apostle Paul said in 1 Tim 1:15: "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief." This is one reason I have spent nearly 40 years in prison ministry. It has been a great privilege to see hundreds of prisoners accept Jesus Christ as their God and Savior. Remembering the words of Paul, I often think in the back of my mind as I witness to them, "There, but by the grace of God, go I." As the apostle Paul said in 1 Cor 15:10: "But by the grace of God I am what I am; and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me."

But, some may ask, won't witnessing to Muslims only make them more angry? No! Not if we speak the truth in love. A young man whose name was identical to two international Muslim leaders contacted me on a business matter. Before our conversation ended I shared the gospel of Jesus Christ with him. To my surprise, a few days later the phone rang, and the young man asked me if I would be offended if we discussed our religious differences in more detail. For the next hour or so we dialogued freely with each of us defending our own faith. Both of us accepted each other as human beings and had a very frank but friendly exchange. As we ended our conversation, he asked if I minded if he contacted me again to continue our religious discussion. I assured him that I was always ready and willing to talk with him, day or night. I left the phone late that night with a clear conscience and happy to have had the privilege of sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ. God loves the souls of Muslims as much as anyone else. We should do likewise.

As the apostle Paul said in Romans 1:16,17: "For I am not ashamed of the

gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith." "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Romans 10:17) As Christians, it becomes our privilege and duty to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with every human being. The time is late, our cause is great, the gospel of Jesus Christ can do more to change human lives from the inside out than anything else in the whole wide world. Wars may slow the spread of tyranny, but only the peace of Jesus Christ in hearts and lives can transform the hatred of tyranny into the love of liberty. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." (John 8:36) Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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## Singers headed to International Festival

Each spring, choirs from across the United States and Europe travel to Crystal Coast, NC to participate in the North Carolina International Choralfest. Selected choirs and vocal groups from around the world are invited to participate by the Governor of North Carolina. One of the groups to be invited to the May 2002 festival are the Michelson Singers from Grayling.

The Michelson Singers are sponsored by Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church in Grayling. The group has been singing for about eight years, providing music for worship services at Michelson as well as performing concerts throughout northern Michigan. The group performs under the direction of Howard Taylor, choir director at the church.

The singers have begun extensive rehearsals on the music to be performed at the festival in May. In addition, the singers will have prepared a full concert program to be presented there. They will also sing in concerts in Ohio and Pennsylvania enroute to and from the festival site in Morehead City, NC where they will perform in the Crystal Coast Amphitheater, home of the famous Passion Play each



Photo courtesy of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church

The Michelson Singers will participate in the North Carolina International Choralfest in May at the invitation of that state's governor. From left, back row: Arnie Stancil, Cel Southard, Bonnie Smith, Paul Smith, Howard Taylor; front row: Bruce Schroeder, Sue Sharp, Ken Louchart, Nancy McLaughlin, Gloria Taylor, Donna Pettyjohn.

spring. A concert is also planned at Fort Macon Civil War Park.

Members of the choir are (in alphabetical order): Ken Louchart, Nancy McLaughlin, Donna Pettyjohn, Bruce Schroeder, Sue Sharp, Bonnie Smith, Paul Smith, Cel Southard, Arnie Stancil, Gloria Taylor and Howard Taylor.

The group is available to per-

form concerts throughout Michigan. Money raised from these concerts will be used to offset the North Carolina trip. Any church or organization interested in having the group perform a concert should contact Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church at (989) 348-2974 or visit the church web site at [www.mumc.org](http://www.mumc.org).

### The Immediacy of the Moment

The sun has set against an impressionist sky painted in ever-changing hues of purple, red, orange and blue. Today is now a memory... tomorrow, a dream. What did you do today? Did you take a moment to admire the beautiful sunset?

We pass this way but once. Each twenty-four hours God gives us one "today". Those of us who are procrastinators do so for many reasons. Perhaps we are afraid of failure; maybe we just can't decide how to tackle that next project or can't find the time to begin a regular exercise program. Many of us carry more in the back of our minds than we keep up front... probably most of us.

Would you like to grab the moment and swing from it? A German proverb says, "Begin to weave and God will give you the thread." Begin to weave the fabric of your life in God's house at weekly worship. Faith in God's Word will give you the courage to reach your goals. You can grab the moment and worship this week. Why not do it now?

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Matthew 3:1-17	Matthew 4:12-25	Matthew 10:1-15	Matthew 10:16-33	Matthew 10:34-42	Matthew 16:13-28	Philippians 2:1-18

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2nd & 4th Wednesday .....7 pm

Sunday School .....10:30 am

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Sunday School-Sept. - May

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Bible Study (Wed) .....10:30am

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Church Service

Saturday .....9:30 am

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Saturday .....10:30 am

Prayer Meeting

Tuesday .....7 pm

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Sunday School .....10 am

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Wednesday

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**Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ**

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Sunday Worship .....11 am

Adult and Youth

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**Heritage Baptist**

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Sacrament .....10 am

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Sunday School .....10 am

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Significant Singles

Wednesday .....6 pm

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**First Baptist Church of Frederic**

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Morning Worship .....11 am

Evening Worship .....6 pm

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Morning Worship .....11 am

Evening Service .....6 pm

Wednesday Service .....7 pm

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Sunday School .....9 am

Sunday Service .....10 am

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## Citizens welcomes new loan officer



Debbie Bondar

Citizens Bank has appointed Debbie Bondar to the position of Mortgage Loan Originator.

In her first position with Citizens Bank, Bondar is responsible for monitoring industry trends, and recommending appropriate financing options to the client. Bondar's expertise in real estate and her successful closing skills make her an asset to the mortgage division of the Citizens Banking Corporation.

Bondar began her career in real estate in 1991 with Century 21 River Country Real Estate in Grayling. From 1992-2001 she steadily reached substantial sales goals with the company, and from 1996-1998 she was nominated for President of the Century 21 Northern Michigan Broker Council. In 1995, she reached both a personal and professional goal by earning her Associates Brokers License.

Throughout her career, Bondar has received many accolades from the real estate industry. She is a member of the Michigan Association of Realtors, the National Association of Realtors, Waterunderland Board of Realtors, and past President of the Grayling Rotary Club.

## New store gives shoppers another option



Photo by Dave Golinick

A new Save-A-Lot grocery store opened on the I-75 Business Loop in Grayling on December 19. Customers should bring their own bags or boxes for packing. This concept saves money for the store and the savings is passed on to the customer in the form of discount pricing on nationally advertised brands as well as quality off-brands.

## HONORS

Attorney Albert Calille, a part-time resident at Lake Margrethe, was recently named one of ten Lawyers of the Year by *Michigan Lawyers Weekly* magazine.

In a special issue dated December 24, 2001, *Lawyers Weekly* selected 10 Michigan attorneys who stood out from the crowd during 2001 -- by winning important cases, being involved in matters that raise challenging legal issues, and otherwise furthering the profession's commitment to the rule of law and concept of justice. The magazine did not necessarily endorse the result achieved in any particular matter, but simply acknowledges the significance of the controversy for the law and for society.

Calille has been in practice in the Detroit area for 25 years and one of his biggest victories came in 2001 as the defense counsel in the case of Lugo v. Ameritech -- believed by

many to have changed the "open and obvious" landscape in Michigan.

Experts predict the Lugo decision will make it more difficult for plaintiffs to bring personal injury suits against property owners. *Lawyers Weekly* reports Calille is hopeful it will.

"I don't think the law was designed to accommodate every

inconvenience in life," Calille said to *Lawyers Weekly*. "I think that our courts are making an effort to prevent lawsuits that fail to establish the threshold of a claim and are attempting to resolve those earlier in the process."

Al and his wife, Stephanie, recently purchased a second home on Lake Margrethe.



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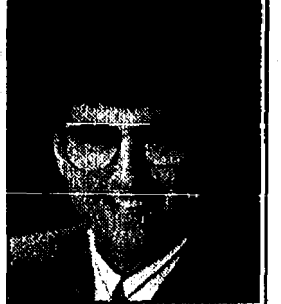
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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.



### MORTON'S NEUROMA

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**FOREST, MINERAL & FIRE MANAGEMENT**

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The Grayling Police Department handled the following 38 complaints during the week of January 6 through January 12:

Four private property collision, one motorist assist, two felony arrest, one domestic complaint, one assault, one alarm complaint, two larceny complaints, three juvenile complaints, four assist other departments;

One forgery complaint, two destruction of property complaints, one attempt to locate, two city ordinance complaints, two suspicious situation complaints, ten traffic warnings, and one unclassified complaint.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Crawford County Sheriff Department handled the following 63 complaints the week of January 7-13:

One hazardous situation, six traffic accidents, one non-traffic accident, one parking violation, one accident - all other, one school bus inspection, three civil matter disputes - family trouble, two suspicious situations, one lost and found property, 11 general non-criminal, two delinquent minors, three false alarm activation, three burglary/home invasion,

Five larceny, four larceny - personal property from a vehicle, one larceny - other, one fraudulent activities, three public peace/disorderly, one OUIL/UBAL, five health and safety, one runaway, two miscellaneous criminal offense, one miscellaneous arrest, two driving violations/ DWLS etc., one driving on revoked/suspended/refused license.

## Potter, Kreiner engaged

**Gretchen Kreiner and Truman Potter, Jr.**

Phil and Cathy Lewis, of Roscommon, and Truman A. Potter Sr., of Grayling, announce the engagement of their son, Truman A. Potter Jr., to Gretchen Kreiner, daughter of Brad and Melody Kreiner of Bay City.

Both Truman and Gretchen are Central Michigan University graduates. Truman is employed with Metaldyne and Gretchen is employed with L.A. Weight Loss, in the Detroit area.

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Leighann Schaudt of Gladwin announces the arrival of Nicole Leone born December 19.

Robert and Laura Cooper of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Alayna Evelyn born December 19.

Norman and Deanna Barth of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Logan James born December 20.

Chris and Crystal Backus of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Shayleigh Helen born December 27.

Todd Booth and Stephanie Freeze of Mio announce the arrival of Jacob Joseph Booth born December 27.

Donald and Michelle Hancock of Prudenville announce the arrival of Kamdyn Reece born January 1.

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### Grayling Middle School News

#### Submitted by the Grayling Middle School Parent Improvement Team

Grayling Middle School and the P.I.T. Team were picked out of 400 schools to do a presentation on "Building and Sustaining Parent/Community Support" at a statewide conference for CSRD Schools. Representatives from the P.I.T. Team along with supportive staff members from GMS will travel to MSU February 15 to share all the ways our parents and the community as a whole, are supportive of Grayling Middle School.

Remember, January 18 is a half day of school. Early dismissal begins at the high school at 11:30 a.m. Also, January 29 is another half day.

Phoenix Program: The kids have been working hard on the digestive system and will be doing presenta-

tions, using their posters of mechanical/chemical digestion and enzymes, to both the AuSable Primary on Tuesday, January 15 and the Grayling Nursing Center on Wednesday, January 16.

On January 23, both the T.L.C. and C.I.C. classes will be touring the bottling plant and dairy farm at the Shelter Family Dairy in Kalkaska.

Viking Band Boosters will meet Thursday, January 17 at the High School.

Students taking the A.C.T. Test on February 9 will need to make sure they get plenty of rest, bring pencils and show up at the middle school about 7:45 a.m.

Our second annual Parent Activity Night will be January 24, at 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the Grayling Middle School. This will be a great night of fun for both parents and students combined. Parents are the students'

ticket into the activity night but they don't have to hang with their parents after they are inside.

Parents get to check out the middle school. We will have a short presentation on Asset Building in the Media Center. This is a character building program within the middle school and we will have teens from Kalkaska, sharing with us how this program has affected them. After this presentation we will have some mini-sessions for parents to attend:

1. Being a positive Fan - How sports rules have changed since we were in school.

2. Computers - Bring your computer problems and questions to the experts.

3. Drugs - Do you have to worry about drugs in the middle school?

4. Art - Have fun exploring art with Dean Worden.

There will be pizza available at the

snack table for those of you who will be coming right from work. Also: Child care will be available for all siblings 5th grade and under. We will also have samples of Channel 1 and GMS student broadcasting running in the Media Center throughout the night.

GMS is conducting a Parent Survey to help improve the quality of middle grades education. One survey per family will be mailed during the week of January 14. Your child can return the completed survey to his or her homeroom teacher by January 25.

If you have more than one child attending GMS, we will cross-reference the names and give all children credit for returning their families' survey. The homeroom at each grade level that returns the most parent surveys, will receive a pizza party. If you have any questions regarding this survey, please call Joni Metiva at 344-3560.

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by Jan Farley

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Wed. Jan. 16 - Italian Pork Roast/ Beef Tips & Noodles; Hearing Clinic by appointment; Exercise and Line dancing at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12:30; RSVP Card Ladies, and Crafts at 1 p.m.; COA Board meets at 5:30. Please make a point to

attend.

Thu. Jan. 17 - Liver & Onions/ Home Pride Steak; BP's taken 11 a.m. to noon; Lucky 7 Casino trip at 10 a.m.; Bible Study at 11 a.m.; Adult Ed Class at 1 p.m.; Uno-Attack at 5:30 p.m.

Fri. Jan. 18 - Chicken & Dumplings/no dinner; Lovells satellite at 12:30; Pantry Bingo and 80 cent Rummy at 1 p.m.

Sun. Jan. 20 - Pancake Brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone, any age, welcome.

Mon. Jan. 21 - Pork Ragout/Meatloaf; Stag Cards at noon; Bridge

Club at 1 p.m.; Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

Tue. Jan. 22 - Italian Round Steak/ Maryland Chicken; Euchre Club at 1 p.m.; Movie at 5:30 p.m. "The Truth About Cats and Dogs."

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The five to seven member boards meet one day each month to review a representative sample of cases of children who have been removed from their homes and placed in foster care due to abuse or neglect. At these reviews, board members interview parents, foster parents, case-workers, attorneys, and other interested parties who may be involved in planning for the ward.

Advisory recommendations are formulated and mailed to the court, child welfare agency, prosecuting attorney, parents, and other interested parties. The purpose of the

review is to insure that all agencies, including the court, have established a plan for the ward and progress is being made toward achieving permanency.

The Foster Care Review Boards are comprised of citizens who reflect a broad cross section on their communities. Minorities and men are especially encouraged to apply. The program is seeking volunteers who have demonstrated leadership in other settings. Employees of the Family Independence Agency, fami-

ly court, or private child placement agencies are prohibited by law to serve on Foster Care Review Boards.

Applicants who live in a rural or northern part of the state may be selected for a multi-county board. Members of multi-county boards would be required to travel to several different locations for board reviews, once a month.

Each volunteer who is selected must attend a two-day orientation in Lansing on March 21-22. This

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The evening discussion will help women determine if they're living a healthy lifestyle.

Participants will have an opportunity to assess their diet, dietary supplements, and exercise routines and determine if they are living life to the fullest.

Dr. Seger will then discuss strategies for living a healthy lifestyle and that may change women's lives.

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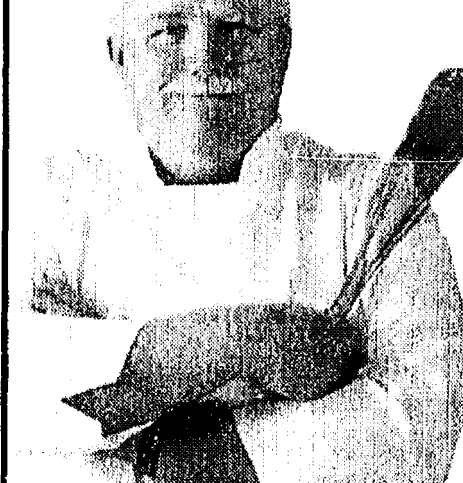
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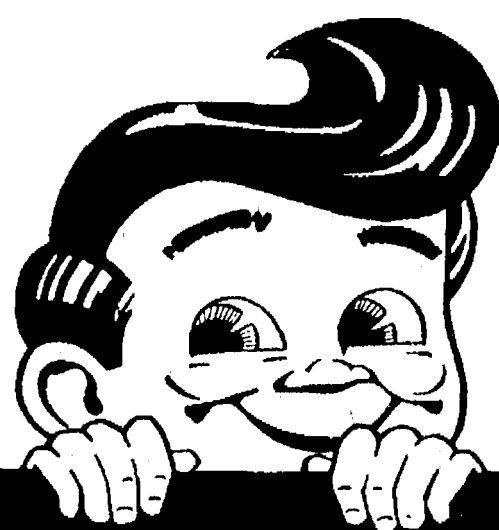
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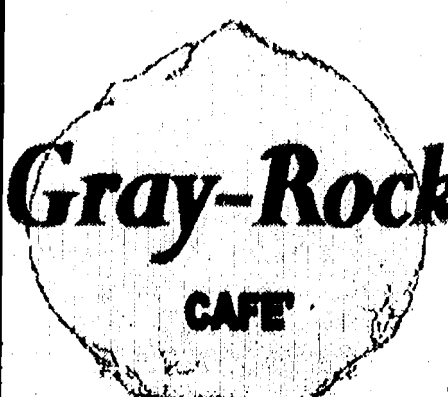
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## MILITARY NEWS

Technical Sergeant Francis T. (Todd) Reeves, USAF, NCOIC Airborne Warning and Control Systems Communication and Simulation Section assigned to the 752nd Computer Systems Squadron at Tinker AFB in Oklahoma, retired on November 8, 2001.

Reeves is a 1982 graduate of Grayling High School and attended Eastern Michigan University. He enlisted into the United States Air Force July 26, 1988.

Following basic training at Lackland AFB in September 1988, he served at these duty stations: Plattsburgh AFB, New York - 380th Supply Squadron and received honors while there of Airman of the Quarter and Airman of the Year (three times); He graduated from NCO Preparatory School as a "Distinguished Graduate" and later graduated from Airman Leadership School as the "John Levitow" award winner.

In 1992, Reeves was reassigned to Rhein-Main AB in Germany and was deployed for 120 days in August 1993 to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Southern Watch with the 4401st Asset Reconstitution Squadron.

In 1995, Reeves was reassigned to Moody AFB in Georgia where he eventually served as the Assistant NCOIC of F-16/A-10 Operations Center Mobility Readiness Spares Packages. Again



**TSGT Francis T. Reeves**

in support of Operation Southern Watch, Reeves was deployed to Bahrain for 120 days in December 1997. Also in support of the Operation, he was deployed to Kuwait in February 1999 contributing to the 68th Fighter Squadron.

On March 1, 2000, Reeves was promoted to Technical Sergeant, retained as a Technical Controller and was assigned to the 752nd Computer Systems Squadron at Tinker AFB.

During his 13-year military career, TSGT Reeves was decorated with 14 medals and ribbons including the Kuwait Liberation Medal.

Reeves and his wife, Tammy, have two children, Amanda (age four) and Tristan (age two).

## OBITUARIES

### Baby Girl Sonkiss

January 11, 2002

Baby girl Sonkiss died January 11 at Bon Secours Hospital in Grosse Pointe.

She is survived by her parents, David and Gina Sonkiss of St. Clair Shores and grandparents: Tony and Karen Lupp of Grayling and Thomas and Jeanne Sonkiss of White Lake.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Jacob R. Buckalew

January 11, 2002

Jacob R. Buckalew, 16 months, of Roscommon (South Branch Township), died Friday, January 11.

Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

### John A. White

October 14, 2001

John A. White, former resident of Grayling, died October 14, 2001 as a result of a bicycle accident in Tucson, Arizona.

### Marguerite M. Cook

Aug. 8, 1908 - Jan. 14, 2002

Marguerite M. Cook, age 93, of Grayling, died Monday, January 14. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, January 16, at 11 a.m., St. Mary's Catholic Church, Grayling.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Raymond J. Apley

January 15, 2002

Raymond J. Apley died Tuesday, January 15. Services are pending.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the people of Grayling for the food, cards and especially your prayers during the loss of my wife Jane Stevens.

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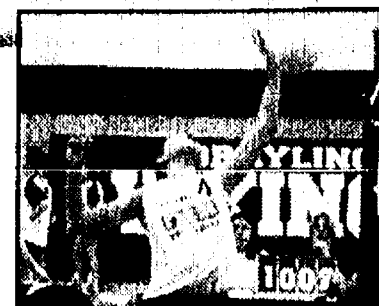
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## VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

Grayling Vikings 85, Pinconning Spartans 79

Grayling Vikings 42, Ogemaw Falcons 60

# Vikings win in overtime

Varsity team still 3rd in NEMC race

► Vikings win at home vs. Spartans, fall to Falcons at West Branch

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team defeated the Spartans of Pinconning in Grayling last Tuesday – in overtime – by a final score of 85-79.

In the first quarter, the Spartans jumped out to an early 7-0 lead. Grayling got on the board with a jump shot and two free throws by R.J. Schmidt. Pinconning hit a shot inside and one of two shots from the free throw line to lead 10-4.

With about two minutes left in the first period, Larry Baynham scored a three-point play for Grayling, pulling the Vikings within three. Pinconning answered with a shot inside.

A free throw by Wes Fox cut Pinconning's lead to four. With just under a minute left in the quarter, Gibson Tobin scored a three-point shot to pull the Vikings within one. Two free throws by Tobin with two seconds left in the period gave Grayling a one-point advantage.

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See "VIKINGS WIN..."



Photo by Caleb Casey

Larry Baynham, a senior, controls the ball for the Vikings in last Tuesday's varsity basketball game against the Spartans of Pinconning in Grayling. Baynham finished the game with 19 points, 8 rebounds, and 7 steals.

February 1 games to be held at GMS

Grayling High School's varsity and junior varsity boys basketball games scheduled for Friday, February 1, will be held at Grayling Middle School, and will feature a ceremony honoring the 1957 boys basketball team.

Grayling's 1957 squad made it to the state quarter finals.

After the ceremony, the 2001-02 JV team will play at 6:15 p.m. and the varsity match-up will follow. Grayling will be playing against Bay City John Glenn in a conference match-up.

The Vikings played one game at GMS last year for the dedication of the middle school gymnasium in honor of former Grayling basketball coach Bruce Smith, and CASD Athletic Director Brian Banda said he hopes the teams will now traditionally play one set of games a year at GMS.

(Many years ago, the middle school building housed the high school.)

Banda said the games at GMS this year will help kick off a fund-raising effort for a new memorial record board that will be placed at the football field.

The board will honor Smith and Jack Millikin, and will include GHS record holders for football, soccer, and track.

## JV BOYS BASKETBALL

Grayling Vikings 55  
Pinconning Spartans 54

Grayling Vikings 39  
Ogemaw Falcons 56

## JV Vikes win one, lose for 1st time

► GHS moves to 6-0 with win on Tuesday, loses first of year at Ogemaw

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball squad improved its season record to 6-0 with a 61-54 win over Pinconning last Tuesday, then lost its first game of the season on Friday at West Branch Ogemaw Heights, 56-39.

The Vikings won a close, physical game against the Pinconning Spartans in Grayling last Tuesday.

The Vikings edged Pinconning 15-12 in a relatively low-scoring first quarter. For the Vikings, Roy Czapek accounted for 11 first period points with a jumper, a three-point play, a fast break lay-up, a put-back, and a pair of free throws. Jump shots by Joe Zelek and Greg Morrill added four more points to Grayling's first quarter scoring effort.

A fairly physical first quarter gave way to a very physical second

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See "JV VIKES..."

# GHS takes 2nd at Oscoda Invitational

► Vikings defeat SSC, fall to WB; Grayling takes 2nd at Saturday tourney

Grayling High School defeated Standish Sterling Central but lost to West Branch Ogemaw Heights in a conference dual wrestling meet in Grayling last Thursday.

The Falcons of Ogemaw Heights and Panthers of Standish faced off first. West Branch won the meet 69-9 with six pins, five wins by forfeit, and one victory by decision. Standish won the 145-pound weight class by pin and the 160-pound division by decision.

Grayling then took to the mats for a league match-up with Standish.

Brandon Pratt (171) and Greg Warren (189) started the match with wins by pin, both in the first round, to lift GHS to a 12-0 lead.

Aaron Rosecrans (215) and Brady Ward (103) won by forfeit to put the Vikings up 24-0. Standish won the 112-pound division by decision, 14-1, to pick up four points.

Brian Borchers (119) and Adam Malone (125) both won by forfeit. In the 130-pound weight class, Andy Palmer added four more points for GHS with a 10-0 win by decision. Mike Gassman added six to Grayling's team tally with a first round pin in the 135-pound weight class.

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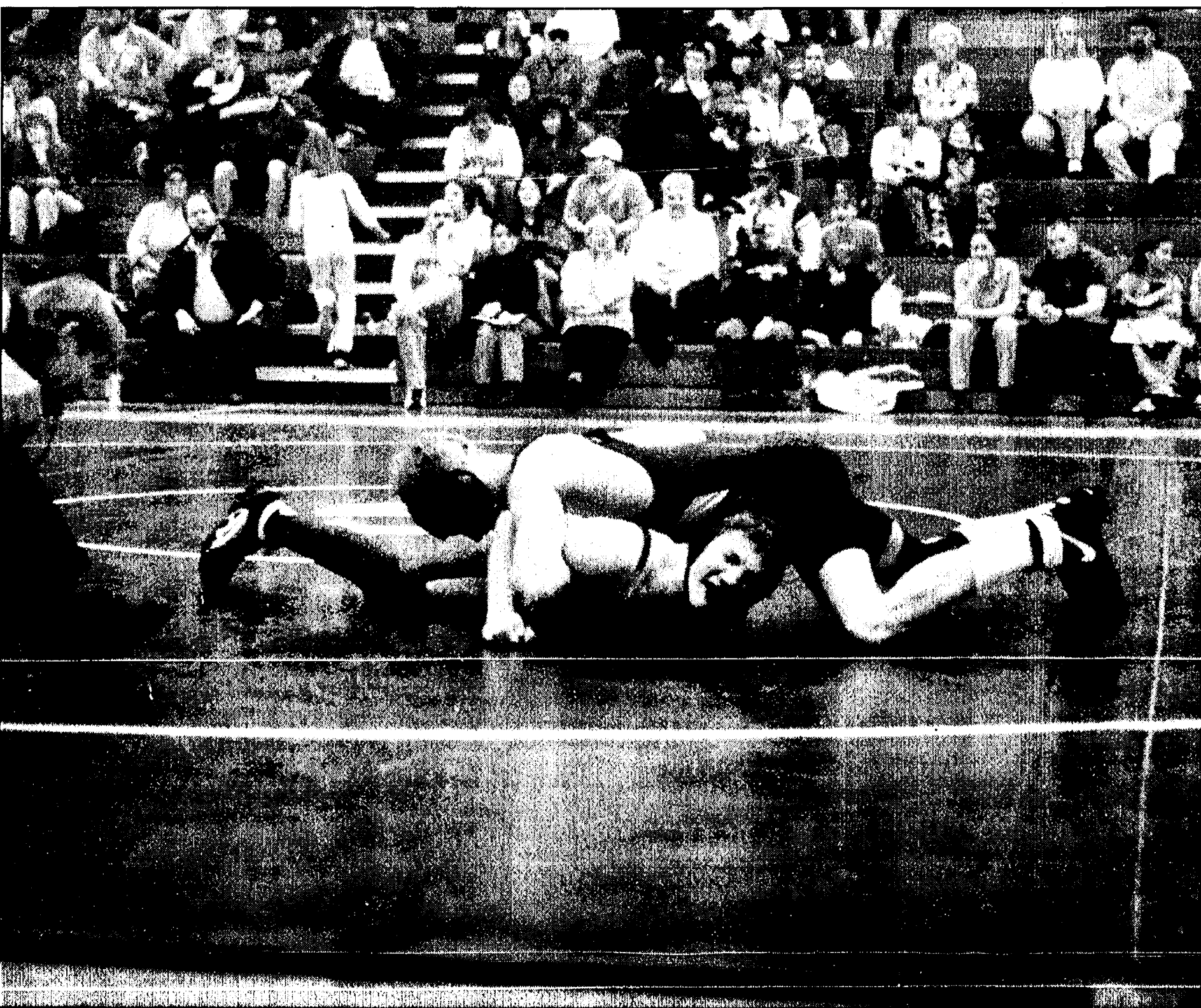


Photo by Caleb Casey

Andy Palmer works a Standish Sterling Central opponent in the 130-pound weight division last Thursday in Grayling. Palmer won the match by decision, 10-0. Grayling won the league match-up with Standish 62-4.

## Cross country ski races postponed

► Hanson Hills forced to close again after last week's warm weather

The two cross country ski race events scheduled to be held at Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park this past weekend – the Michigan Cup Marathon races and Hanson Hills Challenge event – were postponed until March 2 and 3.

The postponement of the two events followed several days of unseasonably warm weather and no snow, which forced Hanson Hills to close its slopes and trails again.

The park had opened in December, then closed due to lack of snow. A few days of solid winter weather allowed Hanson Hills to get up and running again, but the sports park had to close again with last week's warm spell.

"We lost a lot of snow," said Cindy Olson, Director of Grayling Recreation Authority. (GRA, a government consortium funded by millage and user fees, operates Hanson Hills on a non-profit basis.)

With the recent heavy snowfall, Hanson Hills will be able to open again this week, Olson said.

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See "CROSS COUNTRY..."





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Projected Enrollment: 50 students.

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Students are required to be employed and also perform community service hours as part of the curriculum.

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## JV Vikes win one, lose for 1st time

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In the eight-minute quarter, the teams shot a combined 35 free throws in 14 separate trips. Grayling hit 11 of 17 from the line, and Pinconning converted 11 of 18 free throw tries in the second period.

Czapek scored another 12 points in the second eight minutes of play for a total of 23 points in the first half alone. The Vikings also got second half points from free throws by Zelek and Travis Gildner, a shot inside by Gildner, and a put-back by Ryan Davis.

Grayling led 35-30 at halftime.

The Vikings outscored the Spartans 13-8 in the third quarter to lead 48-38 going into the fourth period.

Grayling's third quarter points came from a drive by Phil Armstrong, a jumper by Gildner, a free throw by Zelek, a jump shot by Czapek, inside shots by Zelek and Gildner, and a fast break lay-up by Andy Strohpaal.

Pinconning scored six unanswered points in the first three minutes of the fourth period to pull within five, 49-44. Two free throws by Gildner put the Vikings up by seven.

The Spartans cut Grayling's lead back down to five with a lay-up. Grayling answered with a shot inside by Zelek on an assist from Strohpaal, and Pinny pulled back within five with a two-point bucket.

Grayling scored two on a shot inside by Morrill on a nice pass from Czapek. Two free throws by the Spartans left Grayling's advantage at seven. A free throw by Strohpaal put the Vikings up by eight.

Pinconning scored a free throw and a shot inside to cut Grayling's lead down to five with 1:11 left in regulation.

The Spartans started pressing. Grayling got through the full court pressure defense but missed the shot at the other end, and Pinny rebounded.

The Vikings were called for a foul, and Pinconning hit the first of a one and one opportunity but missed the second shot. Caleb Mead grabbed the rebound for Grayling, and the Vikings killed about 25 seconds before being fouled by the Spartans.

Strohpaal hit one of two at the

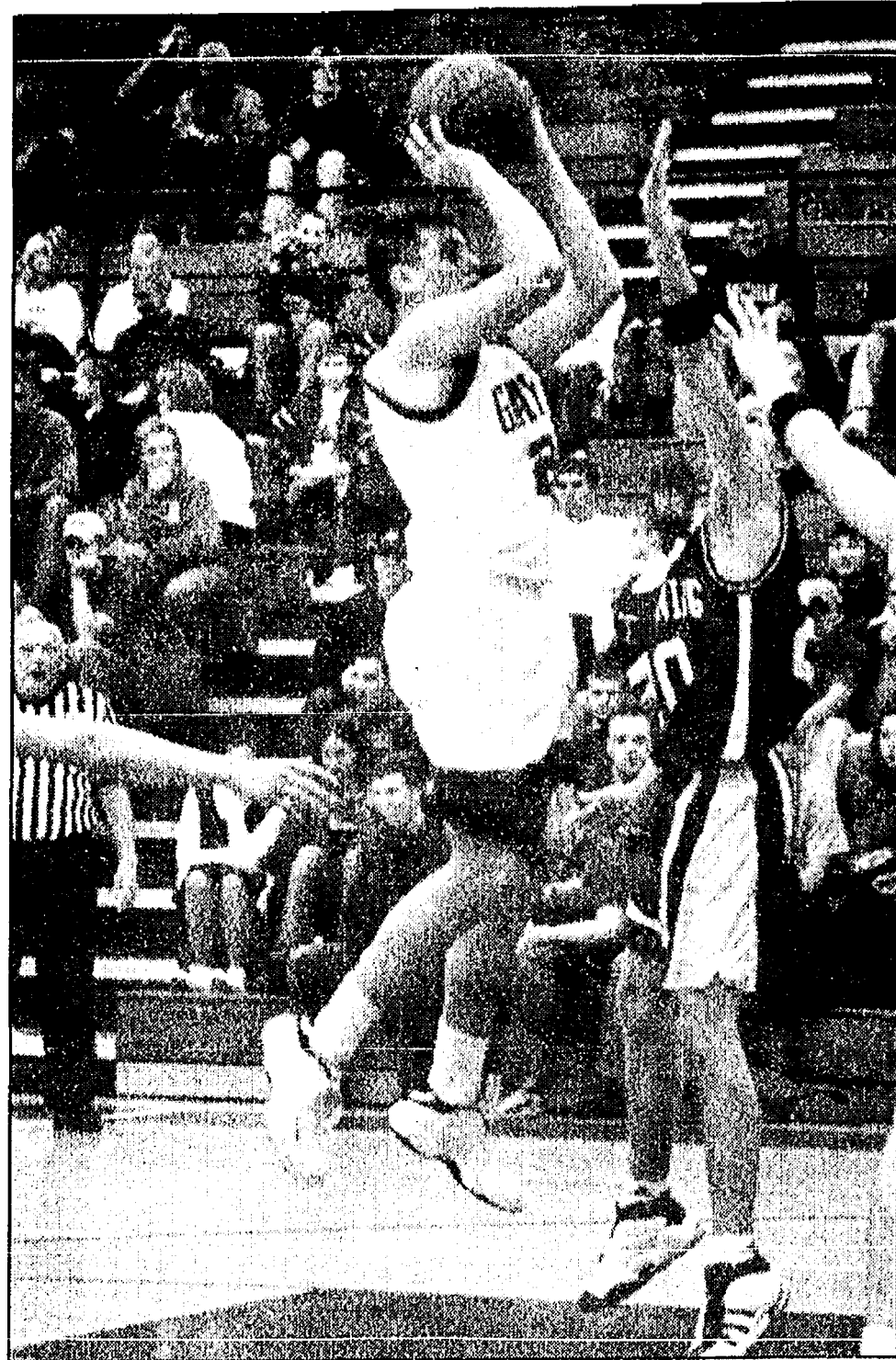


Photo by Caleb Casey

**Roy Czapek takes a jump shot against Pinconning on Tuesday. Czapek had 27 points for Grayling in the match.**

line with 20 seconds left in the game, giving Grayling a 59-54 lead.

Pinconning rebounded the free throw miss, then Strohpaal stole the ball and was fouled again. Strohpaal hit one of two resulting free throw shots to put the Vikings up by six with 13 seconds remaining.

Strohpaal stole the ball again on Grayling's full court pressure attempt, and Pinconning fouled. The Spartans were called for a flagrant foul on the play, giving GHS two free throws and automatic possession of the ball following the shots. Strohpaal sank one of two at the line and Grayling killed the final 10 seconds of the game to hang on for a 61-54 victory.

Czapek was Grayling's leading scorer with 27 points. Gildner finished with 10.

The two teams ended up combining for 59 total free throw shots attempted. Grayling shot 21 for 34 (62%) and Pinconning hit 15 of 25 (60%) in the contest.

On Friday, the Vikings fell to West Branch Ogemaw Heights 56-39 at West Branch. Czapek scored 17 and Gildner added 10 in the loss.

"It was not a good night," said Coach Butch Hayes. "We did not play anywhere near our potential. We shot poorly from the floor, 33 percent, and we were 9 for 23 at the line. We had 40 turnovers, only 23 rebounds, and 34 deflections."

The Vikings are now 6-1 so far this season.

The team is scheduled to play at Tawas on Friday, January 18. The Vikings travel to Oscoda on Tuesday, January 22.

## 8th grade 'white' team moves to 5-0

► Vikings defeat Roscommon and Kalkaska to stay undefeated

Grayling Middle School's 8th grade boys basketball (white) team picked up where it left off after winter break, winning two more games to improve its season win/loss record to 5-0.

The Vikings won three games prior to the holiday break, then won both of their games last week.

On Wednesday, GMS defeated

the Bucks of Roscommon in overtime at Roscommon 40-39.

"It was an exciting game," said Coach Jim Burch. "Our team played hard. Roscommon was a physical team. (Ryan) Feldhauser and (Joel) Wilson worked well together in breaking the Roscommon press."

"This was our first close game and I am proud of the way the team played," said Coach Burch.

Wilson was the leading scorer for Grayling with 14 points. Feldhauser and Matt Larson each scored eight. Zack Dean finished with five points for GMS, and Lucas Hurd had two.

On Monday, the Vikings defeated the Kalkaska Blazers 40-16 in Grayling.

Wilson and Feldhauser were the scoring leaders for Grayling with 16 and 13 points, respectively. Dean, Mitchell Salyers, and Neil Cook also scored points for Grayling in the match.

"The team is improving with every game," said Coach Burch. "The offense is producing enough points to win most games. We still need to improve our defense and continue working on our offense. Overall, I am very pleased with the team's progress. We have the tough part of our schedule ahead of us."

On Monday, January 21, the Vikings will play at Kalkaska. The team hosts Gaylord on Wednesday, January 23.

## Cross country ski races postponed

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The Michigan Cup Marathon cross country races will now be held on Saturday, March 2, at Hanson Hills with mass starts beginning at 10 a.m. The main race will be 30km, and 15km races for women and junior divisions will also be conducted.

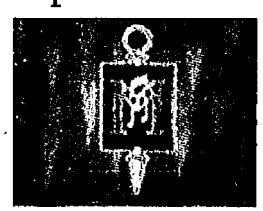
Entry fees are \$25 for adults and \$10 for juniors.

The Hanson Hills Classical races will be held on Sunday, March 3. Adults will race a 12km course, and there will be a 6km race for juniors. Entry fees are \$20 for adults and \$8 for juniors. The Hanson Hills Classical event will also include a children's race.

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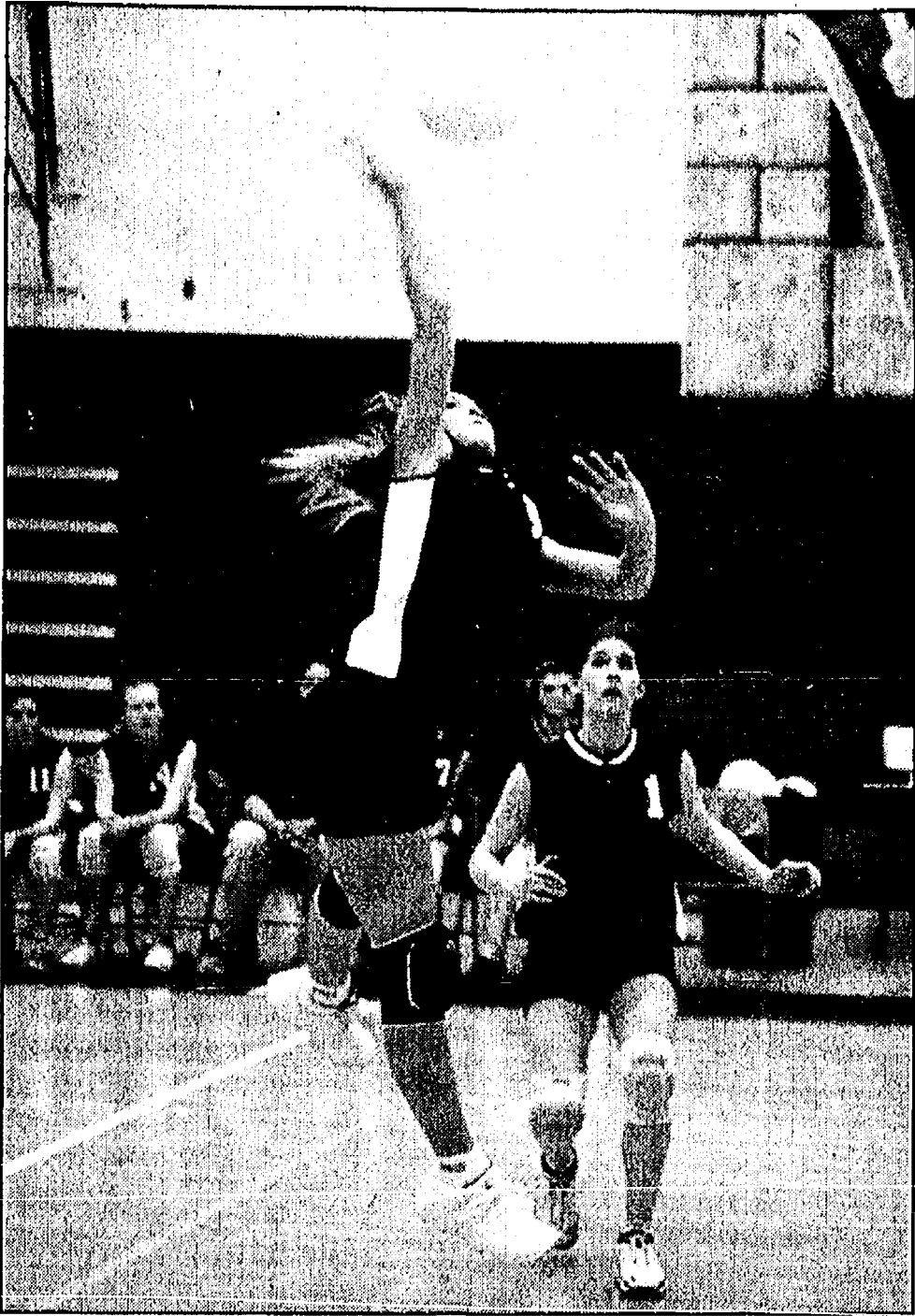
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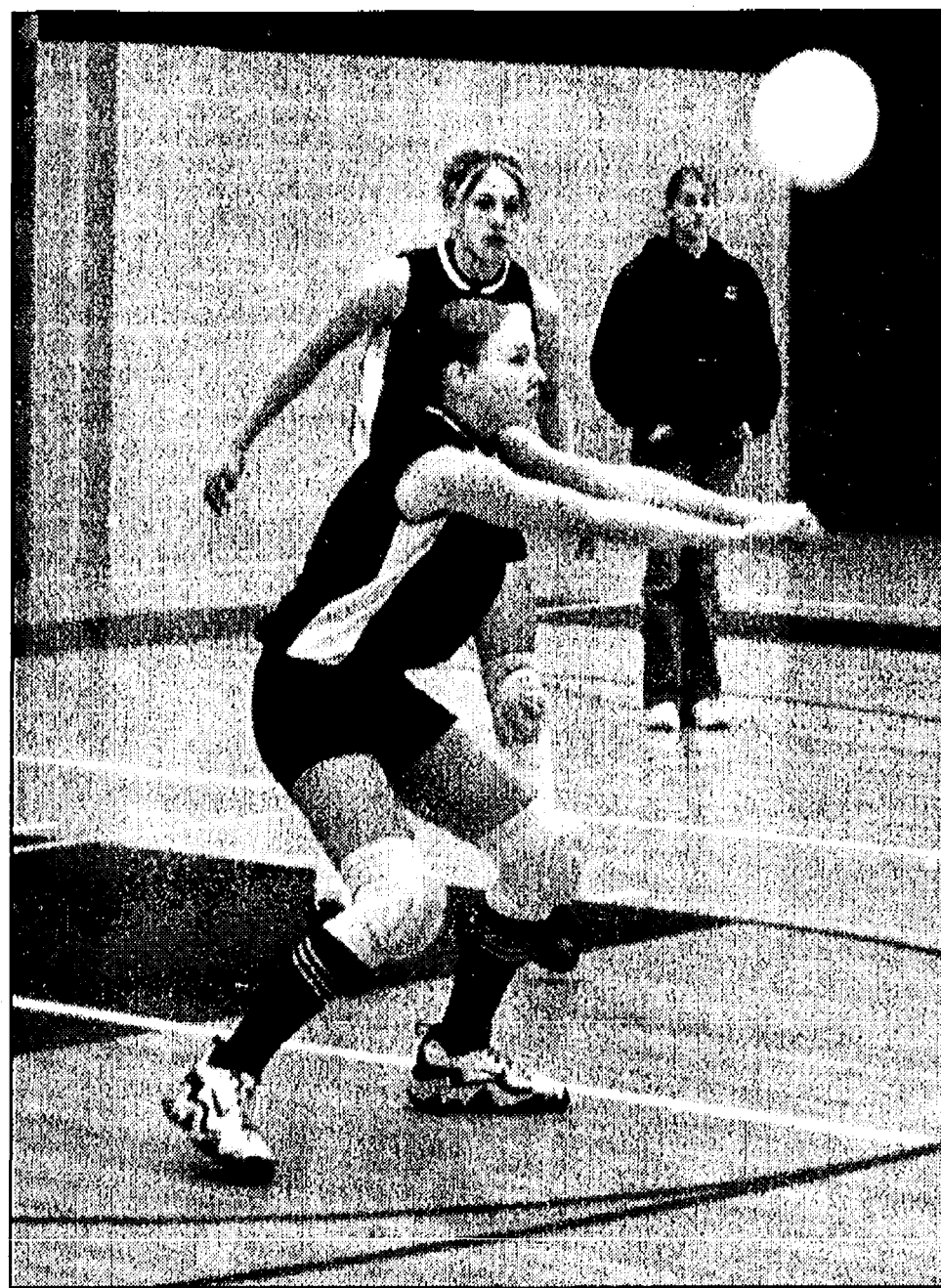
# Volleyball teams host Bobcats



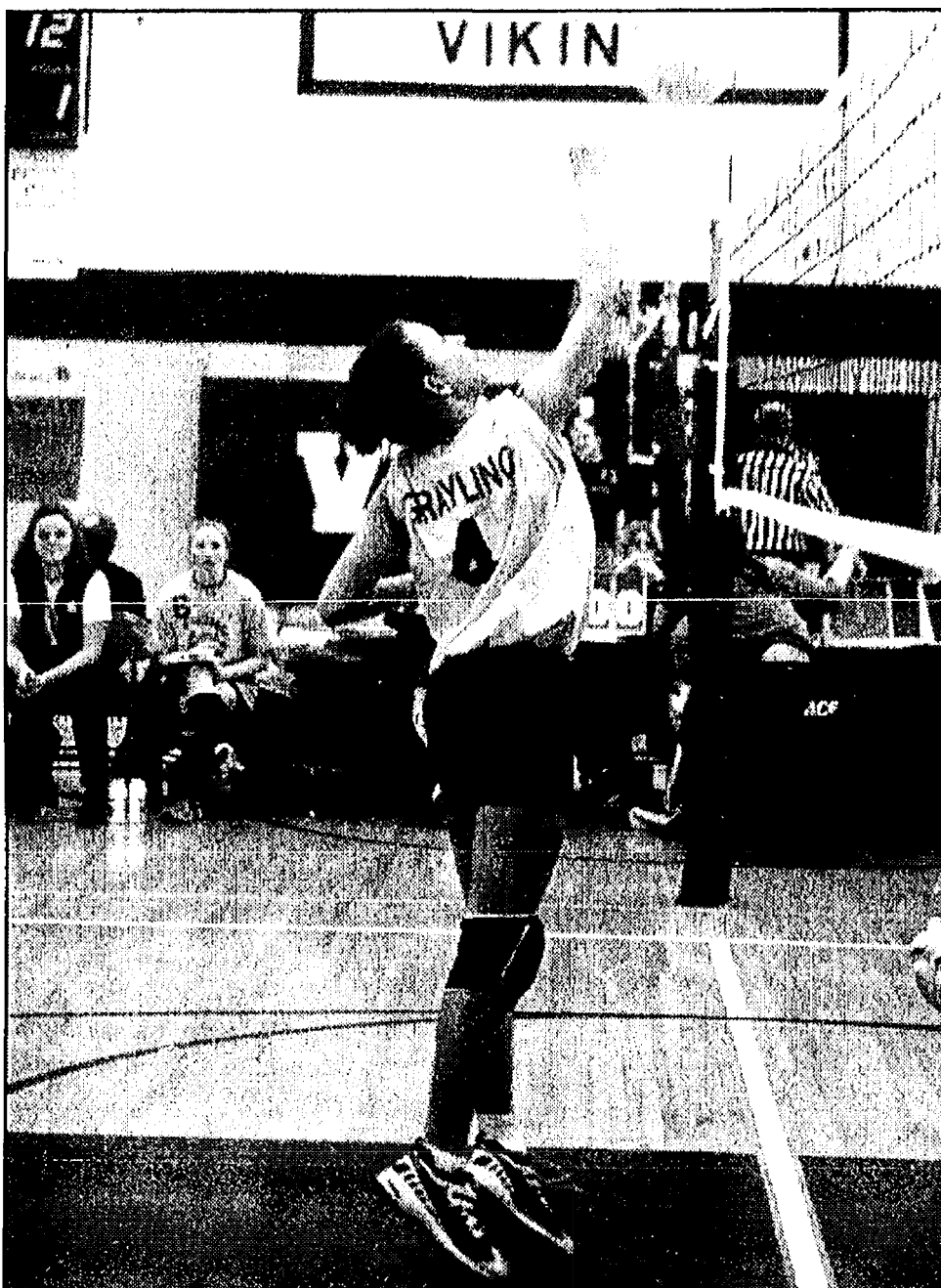
Lori Ellis hits a ball near the net in last week's varsity volleyball match against the Bobcats of Bay City John Glenn in Grayling. Bay City won the three-game series 2-0.



Heather Metzger reaches back for a ball in last Wednesday's JV match against Bay City John Glenn. Bay City won the best-of-three series 2-0.



Barbie Wargo handles a Bay City John Glenn serve in last Wednesday's varsity series in Grayling.



Photos by Caleb Casey  
Jenny VanNuck nudges a ball over the net for the GHS freshman volleyball team vs. Bay City. Grayling won the series two games to one.

## GHS ski teams win vs. Bucks

► Grayling's boys and girls ski teams post victories over Rosco at Treetops

Warm weather and light rain couldn't keep the skiers off the slopes last week, as the Grayling High School boys and girls ski teams both posted victories against Roscommon at Treetops in Gaylord on Thursday.

Grayling's girls team defeated the Bucks 25-49 and the GHS boys team won 25-54.

The girls team was led by a one-two finish in both races by Kelly Jansen and Andria Alvarez. Heather Vandecar placed 3rd in slalom and

7th in giant slalom (GS), Mallory Olson was 5th in slalom and 6th in GS, and Lesley Gilbert placed 9th in slalom and 5th in GS. Shalee Cox and Kassie McClain both lost skis and were disqualified.

In the boys competition, the Vikings took the first four places in slalom for the minimum score possible of 10. Keil Clough placed 1st, Ben McNally 2nd, Eric Hart 3rd, and Pat McNally 4th. Jim Jansen placed 6th and Trevor Clough took 8th to round out Grayling's slalom run.

In giant slalom, the top Viking was Pat McNally (2nd), Hart placed 3rd, Jansen took 4th, Ben McNally and Keil Clough placed 6th and 7th despite slight falls, and Trevor Clough finished 11th after falling.

The Vikings are scheduled to ski Tuesday and Thursday at Treetops this week and Saturday at Boyne if snow conditions allow.

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#### Vikings of the Week



Andria Alvarez



Eric Hart

Skiing  
Coach: Mike Wieland  
**ANDRIA ALVAREZ & ERIC HART**

Alvarez finished 2nd in slalom and 2nd in giant slalom vs. Roscommon at Treetops. Hart had the best overall point total for Grayling's boys teams against Roscommon with two 3rd place finishes.

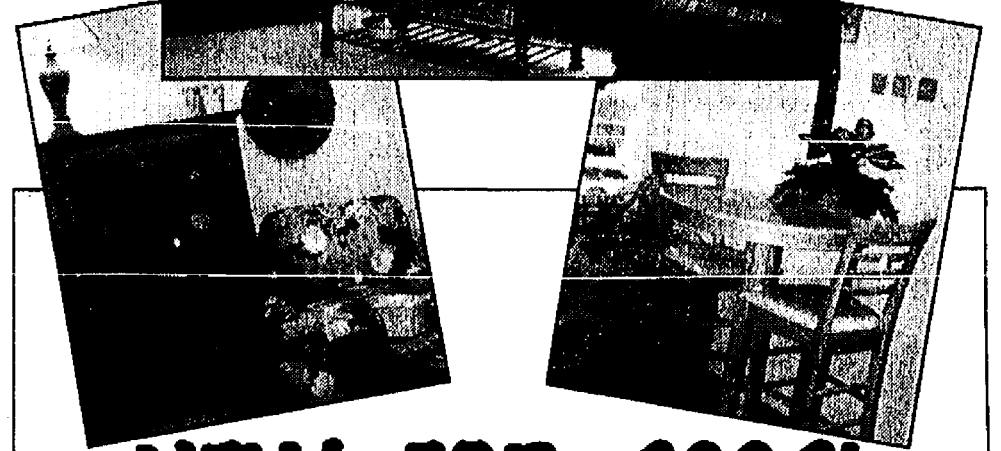
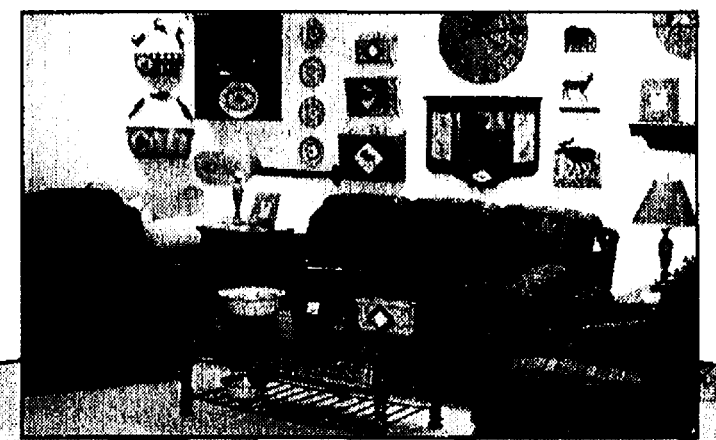
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# Vikings win in overtime

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heading into the second quarter, 13-12.

Pinconning scored 10 of its 12 first period points inside or at the free throw line. The Spartans had a noticeable size advantage over the Vikings, and continued to work the ball inside throughout the game.

A lay-up, a shot inside, and a three-point play by Pinconning gave the Spartans a 19-14 edge with 5:42 left in the second quarter. Free throws by Baynham and Ryan Swope pulled the Vikings to within two, 19-17.

Two free throws by Pinny put the Spartans up by four. Scott Latusek scored a three-pointer for GHS at the 4:00 mark to bring Grayling within one. Pinconning answered with a shot inside.

Schmidt tied the game at 23-23 with a three-point shot. The Spartans replied with a triple of their own to go back up by three. A jumper by Schmidt brought GHS back within one.

With just over two minutes left in the half, Schmidt made a nice pass in to Latusek at the baseline and Latusek converted the shot to give the Vikings a one-point lead. Pinconning tied the game at 27-27 with one of two free throws.

Pinny scored a jumper inside and Grayling came back with a jump shot by Latusek to tie the game at 29-29.

Nate Frankina posted a steal and dished off to Tobin, who drove in for a lay-up. The Spartans were called for a foul on the play, then whistled for a technical foul after the play. Schmidt hit both free throws on the technical to put the Vikings up by four, 33-29.

A put-back by Baynham gave GHS a 35-30 advantage. Two free throws by Fox and a jump shot at the halftime buzzer by Tobin gave Grayling a 39-31 lead after two hard-fought quarters of play.

Grayling's hard work in the paint

## North East Michigan Conference

### VARSITY BASKETBALL STANDINGS

team	league record	overall record
Oscoda	5-0	7-1
Standish Sterling	4-1	5-2
GRAYLING	3-2	4-3
Pinconning	2-3	4-4
BC John Glenn	2-3	3-6
Tawas	2-3	2-5
Ogemaw Heights	2-3	2-5
Gladwin	0-5	1-6

NEMC standings compiled by  
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paid off in the third quarter. The Vikings scored five baskets inside in the period, including four by Baynham. Grayling complemented its inside game with solid perimeter shooting - two triples by Nick D'Amour and one by Schmidt. Tobin ended the third period with a jumper at the buzzer to give the Vikings a 10-point lead, 61-51, going into the fourth quarter.

Grayling scored first in the fourth quarter on a shot inside by Schmidt with an assist from D'Amour. Pinny scored five points on a free throw, a jumper, and a drive to pull within seven. A shot inside by Joe Lange on a nice pass from Swope and a free throw by Baynham put GHS up by 10 with 4:37 left in regulation.

The lead didn't last. Two shots inside by Pinconning pulled the Spartans within six with 2:39 left in the quarter. Grayling turned the ball over and the Spartans drove to the basket for two.

Grayling turned the ball over again, grabbed a loose ball to get it back, then committed another turnover. Pinconning hit a jumper at the 1:34 mark to cut Grayling's lead to four, 68-64.

The Vikings turned the ball over again. Pinconning missed a three-point try and Baynham rebounded. Grayling moved the ball upcourt, and Pinconning fouled to stop the clock. The Vikings missed the free throw on the one and one opportunity, and Pinconning rebounded. The Spartans scored a shot inside at the other end to pull within two with 39 seconds left in regulation.

Pinconning opted to foul again to stop the clock. D'Amour converted both free throws to give Grayling a 70-66 advantage. The Spartans answered with a jump shot to pull back within two.

Grayling got the ball in with a long pass down court. Pinconning fouled, and Grayling missed the free throw on the one and one chance. Pinconning drove the length of the court and converted to tie the game at 70-70 with five seconds left in regulation.

Grayling, with three seconds showing on the fourth quarter clock,



Photo by Caleb Casey

## Nick D'Amour handles the ball for GHS vs. Pinconning.

had a chance to win it in regulation but failed to get a shot off.

With the score locked at 70-70, the game went into a four-minute overtime period.

Grayling won the tip-off on a tap from Frankina to Baynham. Tobin scored a three-pointer on the possession to give the Vikings some much-needed momentum.

Baynham added another big play with a steal and a fast break lay-up. Grayling led by five.

A shot inside by Pinny and a jumper by Schmidt left Grayling's lead at five.

The Spartans scored one of two free throws to pull within four. (Schmidt fouled out on the play.)

With 2:00 left in OT, D'Amour scored a lay-up on a dish from Latusek. A three-point play by Pinconning pulled the Spartans within three with 1:41 left in overtime. Grayling answered with a jumper by D'Amour on an in-bounds pass from Tobin.

Swope rebounded a Pinconning miss, and the Vikings moved the ball upcourt. Pinny fouled to stop the clock, and Grayling missed both free throws. A shot inside by Pinny at the 0:43 mark pulled the Spartans within three.

Pinconning had to foul again. Tobin hit both free throws to give Grayling an 83-78 edge.

Latusek tipped the ball loose on Pinconning's next possession. Baynham latched onto it, forcing a tie-up. The possession arrow favored Pinconning.

Latusek knocked the ball loose again and D'Amour came away with it. D'Amour drove in for a fast break lay-up to give GHS an 85-78 advantage with just 10 seconds left in overtime.

Grayling held off the Spartans in the final seconds and won 85-79.

"We played well in spurts tonight," said Coach Rich Moffit. "I thought that we did a great job on the boards for three quarters of the game, but they really took advantage of our lack of size in the fourth quarter."

"In OT, we stepped it up and played well," Moffit added.

Schmidt was the leading scorer for GHS in the match with 20 points. Baynham finished with 19 points, eight rebounds and seven steals; Tobin had 17 points; and D'Amour scored 16 points. Swope had eight rebounds.

The Vikings struggled in a road match at West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Friday, and lost to the host Falcons 60-42 in another league match-up.

The Vikings hit just 12 of 53 shots from the floor and lost the rebounding battle 36-24.

"We did not play very well in this game - which may be a huge understatement," said Coach Moffit. "We were beaten on the boards and shot 23 percent from the floor. Our season shooting percentage was 45 percent going into the game."

"We have to correct our mistakes and move on," Moffit said. "We have a good group of kids with good leadership and we will work our way through this."

Schmidt was the leading scorer for Grayling with 12 points.

The Vikings are now in third place in the North East Michigan Conference with a 3-2 league record. Oscoda and Standish Sterling are in first and second place, respectively, with 5-0 and 4-1 league records. Four NEMC teams are tied for fourth at 2-3.

The Vikings play at Tawas on Friday. On Tuesday, January 22, Grayling will host the Oscoda Owls, the current conference leaders.

## 8th graders post two losses in return from break

In the team's first week back after holiday break, the Grayling Middle School 8th grade (green) boys basketball team lost a home game to Kalkaska on Monday and fell to Roscommon on the road on Wednesday.

On Monday night, GMS lost to Kalkaska 33-11 in Grayling.

"Our first game back from holiday break found us very flat," said Coach Gary Summers. "Our offense was non-existent, but defensively holding this team to 33 points was something positive. Kalkaska's team is very big and very quick."

The Vikings fell to Roscommon 39-27 in Roscommon on Wednesday.

"A much better effort than Monday's contest," said Coach Summers. "Roscommon's team has two 6'0" kids, approximately 200 pounds, and we played them pretty tough. Hopefully we can get back to full strength with some offense."

Reagan Schmidt scored 16 points for Grayling in the Roscommon game. Zach Baker added six points, and A.J. Powers scored five.

The Vikings will play at Kalkaska on Monday, January 21. On Wednesday, January 23, Grayling will host Gaylord.



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# GHS takes 2nd at Oscoda Invitational

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Grayling won the next three matches by decision. Tom Barnett (140) won 15-4, Dusty Partello (145) posted a 7-1 win, and Darryl Babbitt (152) won his match 8-6.

The Vikings won the last match-up, the 160-pound division, with a first round pin by Zach Wegner.

Grayling defeated Standish by an overall team score of 62-4.

Grayling and West Branch then wrestled in the evening's final match-up.

West Branch won 171 and 189 by pin, and 215 by decision, to take a 15-0 lead. Ogemaw won the heavyweight division by forfeit to take a 21-0 advantage.

Ward (103) got Grayling on the board with a third round pin a tough match. West Branch won 112 and 119 by pin to lead 33-6.

Malone (125) scored a pin in the second round to win his match and Palmer (130) won by pin in the first round to earn GHS another 12 team points. Grayling trailed 33-18.

Ogemaw won 135 and 140 by pin. Partello won the 145-pound weight class by decision, 7-1. Babbitt (152) won his match with a pin in the first round. West Branch scored a 7-0 win by decision in the 160-pound weight class to finish on top of Grayling in team score, 48-27.

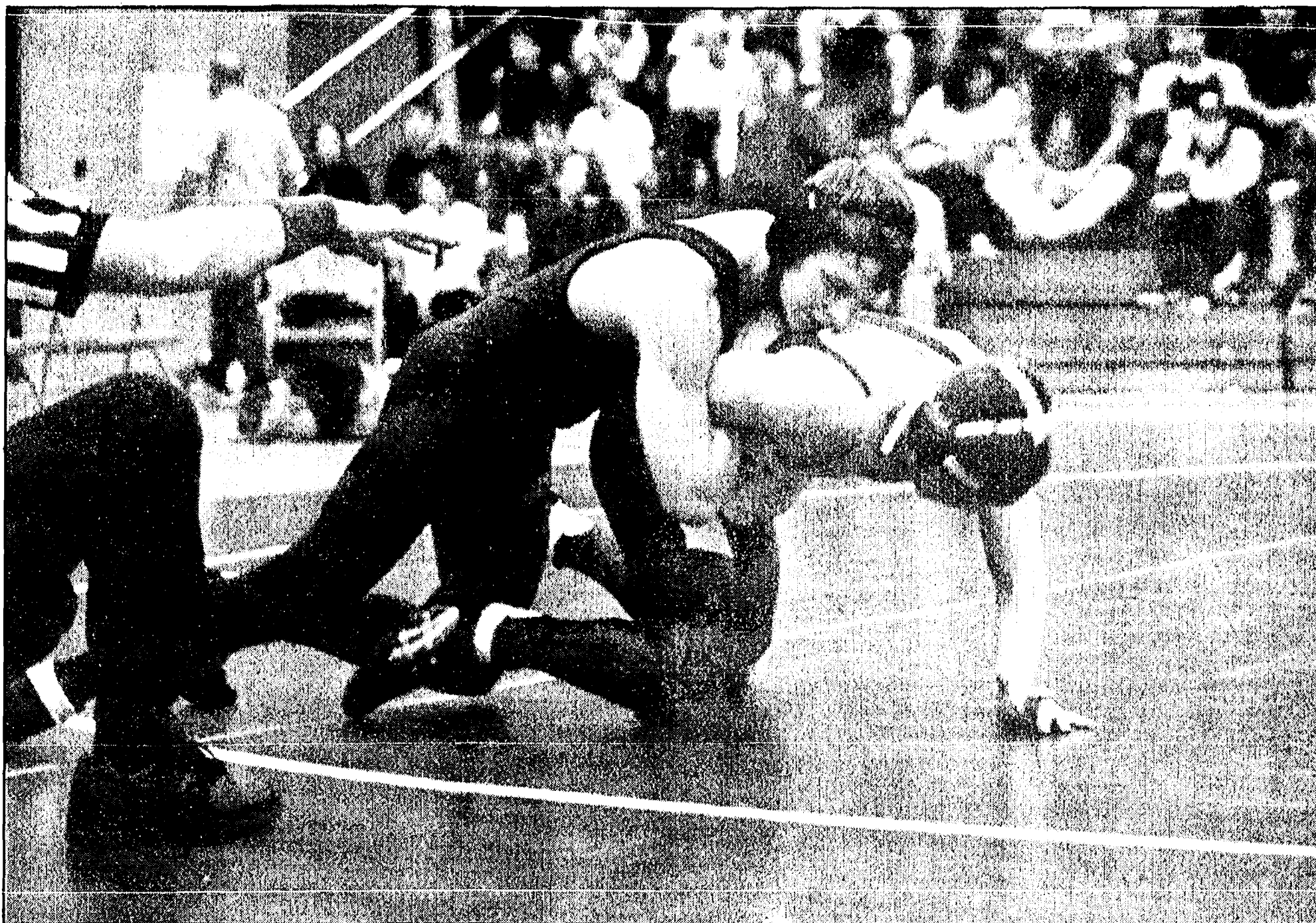
On Saturday, the Vikings placed 2nd overall as a team in the Oscoda Invitational Tournament.

Other teams competing included Gaylord, Oscoda, Tawas, Alpena, Farwell, Kingsley, and Ogemaw Heights.

For Grayling, seven wrestlers made it to the championship round in their respective weight classes, and four won to earn first place finishes. Those four, and other top finishers for Grayling at the Oscoda tournament, included: Malone (125), 1st; Palmer (130), 1st; Partello (145), 1st; Babbitt (152), 1st; Ward (103), 2nd; Pratt (171), 2nd; Warren (189), 2nd; Rosecrans (215), 3rd; Emily Harvey (112), 4th; and Borchers (119), 4th.

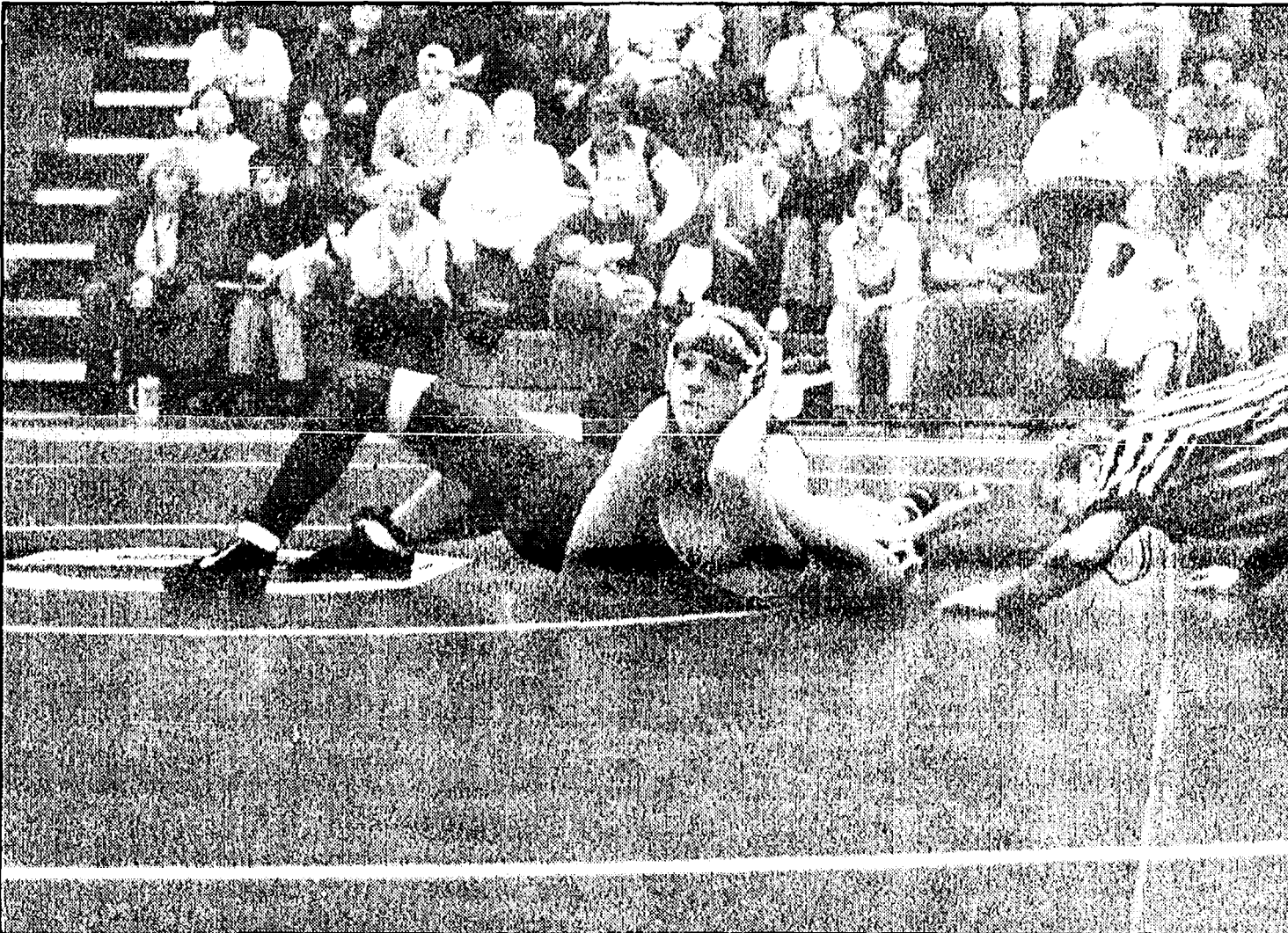
Wins at Oscoda boosted Partello's season record to 24-3. Palmer extended his win/loss record to 22-3 this year, Babbitt is now 20-5, and Malone moved to 16-10.

The Vikings wrestle at Oscoda on Thursday, January 17. On Saturday, the team will compete in the Ithaca Invitational.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Dusty Partello (145) wrestles against Standish Sterling Central on Thursday. Partello, who is currently 24-3 so far this season, won the match by decision, 7-1.



Zach Wegner (160) defeats his Standish counterpart with a first round pin last week in Grayling.

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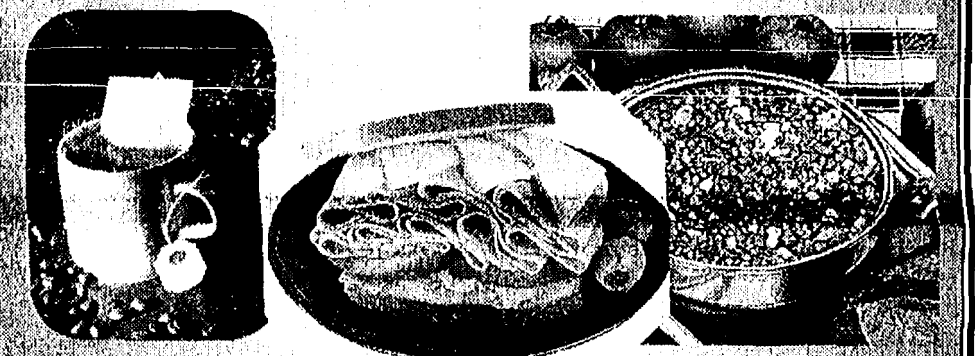
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High Game Men: R. Marwede, 234;  
R. Moshier, 209; R. Hinds, 195.  
High Series Men: R. Marwede,  
584; D. Yanniello, 544; R. Moshier,  
538.  
High Game Women: S. Johnson,  
221; N. Trudeau, 190; K. Moshier,  
188.  
High Series Women: S. Johnson,  
542; D. Median, 523; N. Trudeau,  
512.

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Mickey Perez CPA . . . . . 10 - 6  
Skyline Ski & C.C. . . . . 10 - 6  
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Gale Enterprise . . . . . 8 - 8  
Peterson Saw Service . . . . . 8 - 8  
Chicken Little Joint Project . 7 - 9  
Woody Girls . . . . . 7 - 9  
Glen's Market . . . . . 5 - 11  
High Series: S. Johnson, 546; J.  
Hinds, 515; K. Moshier, 476.  
High Game: S. Johnson, 210; B.  
Wheeler, 196; J. Hinds, 190.

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Buccilli's Pizza . . . . . 36 - 32  
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Flowers by Josie . . . . . 32 -36  
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Halls Snow Removal . . . . . 24 1/2-43 1/2  
High Game Men: G. Wolfe, 194; K.  
Harris, 180; K. Louchart, 178.

High Series Men: G. Wolfe, 533; K.  
Harris, 508; K. Louchart, 475.  
High Game Women: R. Joyce, 190;  
D. Hollis, 169; T. Steady, 165.  
High Series Women: R. Joyce, 532;  
D. Hollis, 436; R. Gierke, 436.

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Hart Pontiac-GMC . . . . . 13 - 3  
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Hometown . . . . . 4 -12  
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North Michigan Financial . . 3 -13  
High Game: T. Rock, 198; M.  
Miller, 193; M. Rock, 186.  
High Series: M. Rock, 512; M.  
Miller, 504; M. Starks, 491.

### Sunday Nite Mixed

Moshier Auto Repair . . . . . 24 - 4  
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Wakeley's Auto Parts . . . . . 16 -12  
McDonalds . . . . . 12 -16  
Waste Management . . . . . 11 -17  
Jack's . . . . . 11 -17  
Helsel Brothers . . . . . 10 -18  
Custom Interior . . . . . 4 -24  
Men's High Game: J. Helsel, 240; S.  
Miller, 207; T. Sowinski, 204.  
Men's High Series: T. Sowinski  
612; J. Helsel, 593; S. Miller, 552.

Women's High Game: S. Romain,  
211; K. Moshier, 208; T. Raybould,  
203.

Women's High Series: J. Hinds,  
567; S. Romain, 554; T. Raybould,  
546.

### National First

Denholm Chiropractic . . . 12 -2  
Hellebuyck Masonry . . . 12- 2  
Northern White Tail Ranch . 7- 7  
Miller's Production . . . . 7- 7  
AuSable Construction . . . 7- 7  
Legion Lanes . . . . . 7- 7  
Hart Pontiac-GMC . . . . . 2- 12  
Faustman's Insurance . . . . 2- 12  
High Game: C. Brill, 245; T.  
Kotrash, 236; M. Barr, 224.  
High Series: C. Brill, 685; T.  
Kotrash, 594; C. Golnick, 590.

### Pioneer

Millikin's . . . . . 6 - 2  
Custom Interior . . . . . 5 - 3  
Avalanche . . . . . 5 - 3  
Aunt Betty's . . . . . 4 - 4  
McDonald's of Grayling . . . 4 - 4  
Rochette's . . . . . 3 - 5  
Chemical Bank . . . . . 3 - 5  
South Side River Rats . . . . 2 - 6  
High Series: M. Moshier, 597; A.  
Evon, 552; K. Moshier, 525.  
High Game: K. Moshier, 225; M.  
Moshier, 214 and 210.

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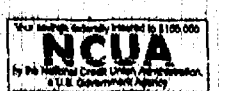
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**Outdoor Writers Registration** - 9:00 a.m. at the Roscommon County Tourism and Convention Bureau.

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**Flag Raising** - Follows the Grand Parade.

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**Beverage Tent** - Open 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Must be 21 years of age to enter, Tip-Up Town Badge required.

**Poker Run** - 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. Register at the Tip-Up Town Site.

**Softball on Ice** - 12:00 noon & 2:30 p.m.

**Horseshoes on Ice** - 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

**Fireworks** - After dark enjoy a spectacular display from the Tip-Up Town Site.

**Teen Dance** - 8:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

**Antique Snowmobile Display** - 10:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## Sunday, January 20, 2002

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**Church Services** - 11:00 a.m. Tip-Up Town Site.  
**Radar Run Challenge** - 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

**Fishing Contest** - Weigh in 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Houghton Lake Lake Association Booth, Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site. (Tip-Up Town Badge required to enter). Awards at 2:00 p.m.

**Games on Ice** - Continuous activities for the entire family, **Free Carnival Rides.**

**Beverage Tent** - Open 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m. Must be 21 years of age to enter, Tip-Up Town Badge required.

**Scavenger Hunt** - 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. Register at the Tip-Up Town Site.

**Softball on Ice** - 12:00 noon & 2:30 p.m.

**Horseshoes on Ice** - 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

**Awards** - 4:00 p.m.

**Beard Contest** - 1:30 p.m.

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**Flag Raising** - 10:00 a.m.  
**Radar Run Challenge** - 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.  
**Fishing Contest** - Weigh in 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Houghton Lake Lake Association Booth, Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site. (Tip-Up Town Badge required to enter).  
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**Teen Dance** - 8:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

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**Church Services** - 11:00 a.m. Tip-Up Town Site.  
**Radar Run Challenge** - 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.  
**Fishing Contest** - Weigh in 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Houghton Lake Association Booth, Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site. (Tip-Up Town Badge required to enter). Awards at 2:00 p.m.  
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**Awards** - 4:00 p.m.  
**Beard Contest** - 1:30 p.m.

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### Mens Team

**FLINT** - Two days after an embarrassing loss in the conference opener, Kirtland coach Glen Donahue still couldn't believe how poorly his team played for one that has aspirations of competing with the league's best teams.

In their first major test of the season against a top team, the Firebirds failed miserably in a 103-65 loss Saturday to C.S. Mott.

"We were bad, that's about all I can say," Donahue said. "We just didn't play very well. We certainly expected to better. A lot better."

"Their big guys really beat us up on the boards," Donahue said, referring to his team's 56-37 rebounding deficit. "It was a very disappointing game for us because we didn't play anywhere near our potential."

Kirtland fell to 0-1 and 8-6 overall. Reuben Edwards and Monte Tucker had 15 points apiece for the Firebirds.

Donahue said he hopes his team responds better the next time the teams meet. "We've got them again, at home, and it'll be a good chance to see if we've improved -- or not improved," he said of the Feb. 6 rematch at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

**GRAND RAPIDS** - His team trailing by as many as 16 points in the first half, Coach Glen Donahue

figured the bad karma gripping his team since the holiday doldrums had ridden the bus all the way here Tuesday.

Then, against a team that had dropped three varsity players down for this game against Kirtland Community College, the Firebirds erupted with some of their finest play of the season that carried them to a double overtime, 120-113 victory over the Cornerstone junior varsity.

"It was a great game, and it was really good to see that kind of effort," Donahue said after his team rallied to improve its record to 9-6 heading into Saturday's conference game at Delta.

After a torrid start to the season, the Firebirds have struggled to play .500 basketball through the last month, and Donahue noticed the effect it had on the group.

"It becomes psychological," he said. "These kids haven't been through these kinds of situations before. But we got a really good effort from everybody -- when we really needed a win."

Sophomore co-captain Monte Tucker scored 39 points and hauled down 15 rebounds and sophomore guard Mario Collins had a triple-double with 17 points, 10 assists and 10 steals to pace the comeback, which began late in the first half. The Firebirds trimmed their deficit to 54-

43 at the break and forged a 97-97 tie at the end of regulation. After the first five-minute overtime, the score remained tied at 109.

Reuben Edwards contributed 20 points and Jake Milarch chipped in 11 for the Firebirds. John Freund led Cornerstone with 35 points.

### Womens Team

**FLINT** - Seven seconds after tip-off here Saturday, Brandi Bates went down with a badly sprained ankle -- and with her went any chance Kirtland's Lady Firebirds might have had to win their conference opener at C.S. Mott.

"When they saw Brandi go down, our girls just took a deep breath," Coach Jimmy Parker said after the 67-47 loss. "That really hurt us."

Bates, a sophomore co-captain, is Kirtland's most accomplished inside player, their top scorer and rebounder in clutch situations.

"We needed more from our big girls under the basket," Parker said. "We've got to get them to shoot more."

Megan Hardy, Arica Wolcott and Anna Umlor contributed a combined five points and 13 rebounds in Bates' absence. Worse, it forced several players to play out of position, which contributed to the Lady Firebirds' offensive woes. They had difficulty running their offense all game.

They made just 14 of 60 shots from the floor, including only five of 25 from three-point range on one of their worst shooting performances

ever. Jillian Schultz scored 11 and Hannah Miller had 10 for Kirtland, 0-1 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association and 7-8 overall.

**BAY CITY** - College basketball games are 40 minutes long, two periods of 20 minutes each. But Kirtland's Lady Firebirds needed just one period Saturday to put victory well out of reach.

An inability to solve Delta's full-court press led to a 17-point deficit by halftime, and Kirtland never recovered in route to a 77-62 loss that wasn't nearly as close as the score indicated.

"There's no excuse whatsoever for that first half," Coach Jimmy Parker said after the game. "We shouldn't have had problems like that, but we did. We gave them 18 points off the press. That's ridiculous. We all watched the tape. We showed them what to do, where to go. They didn't do it."

"And when we managed to solve the press, we didn't run our offense, especially in the first half. In the second half we did, and we got some good shots," Coach Parker said.

By then, it was too little against Delta's second- and third-team players, and far too late.

Hannah Miller scored 15 points and Jillian Schultz added 14 for Kirtland, 7-9 overall and 0-2 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

## POOL LEAGUE

### Women's Standings

Sawmill II	126
Spikes	114
Swamp II	111
Frederic Inn	106
Legion	108
Holiday Inn	91
Plaza	89
Sawmill I	74

5 Ball Run: Dee and Lannith, Spikes; Sandy (2) and Patsy, Sawmill II; Beth, Plaza; Lisa, Legion; Jeannie (2) and Paula, Sawmill I; Annette, Swamp II.  
6 Ball Run: Rose and Annette, Swamp II; Jeannie, Sawmill I.  
8 Ball Run: Dee, Spikes.

## LEGAL ACTION

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bonnie Romain, a single woman and David Rice, a single man (original mortgagors) to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 27, 2000, and recorded on November 2, 2000 in Liber 521, on Page 628, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIX AND 84/100 dollars (\$51,706.84), including interest at 8.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on February 20, 2002.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF BEAVER, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 12, Wheel-in Estates, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 28, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 10, 2002  
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
Stallions 248-593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200127966  
Stallions

10-17-24-31-7

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD CIRCUIT COURT- FAMILY DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate File No. 02-6392-DE

Estate of C. Abbott Walker, Deceased,  
Date of Birth 10-4-1908  
TO ALL CREDITORS:  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, C. Abbott Walker, who lived at 8997

Bald Eagle Trail, Grayling, Michigan died 7/28/01.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Susan M. Calkins, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Susan M. Calkins  
7940 North Bay Shore  
Elk Rapids, MI 49629  
(231) 264-5888

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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Todd Willoughby and Sharon R Willoughby, husband and wife, to Old Kent Mortgage Company (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Bank, Indiana), mortgagee, dated June 15, 2000 and recorded July 17, 2000 in Liber 512, Page 84-90, Crawford County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen and 64/100 Dollars (\$72,518.64) including interest at the rate of 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on February 27, 2002.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 17 & 18, Clough's Highland Acres, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 65, Crawford County records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: January 17, 2002  
ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC  
Attorneys for Old Kent Mortgage Company (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Bank, Indiana),  
As Mortgagees  
2501 Rochester Court  
Troy, MI 48063  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 200.0197

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# LEGAL ACTION

## SYNOPSIS

### CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Regular Board Meeting of January 2, 2002

The Annual Organizational Board meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Scott Hanson at 10:08 a.m. in the County Building on January 2, 2002.

Roll Call: Hanson, Gohnick, Pinkelman, Corlew, Wieland and Beardslee.

Absent - None  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk-Register of Deeds - Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present.

Others present at various times:

---Moved to accept the agenda as presented.

---Moved to close nominations for Board Vice-Chairperson and cast a unanimous vote for Commissioner Terry Beardslee.

---Moved to set the 2002 Committee, Regular Board, and Special Meeting Schedules as follows:

Full Board Committees @ 9:30 A.M.

January 10

February 14

March 14

April 18

May 9

June 13

July 11

August 15

September 19

October 10

November 14

December 12

Full Board Meetings @ 9:30 A.M.

January 16

February 20

March 20

April 24

May 15

June 19

July 17

August 21

September 25

October 16

November 20

December 18

Special Board Meeting

September 30 @ 7:30 P.M.

---Chairman Hanson reviewed Committee

Assignments and the following appoint-

ments were made:

Judicial Committee of the Whole

---Lynnette S. Corlew, Chairperson

Law Enforcement Committee of the

Whole - Harold Gohnick, Chairman

Personnel & Labor Committee of the

Whole - Shelley Pinkelman, Chairperson

Ways & Means Committee of the Whole

---Elizabeth H. Wieland, Chairperson

Assignments - Representatives

Emergency Management - Hanson,

Beardslee

Road Commission - Hanson

Public Health - Corlew, Pinkelman,

Beardslee - Alt

Mental Health - Wieland

Planning & Zoning - Beardslee, Hanson

Soil & Water - Pinkelman

Environmental - Beardslee

Community Corrections - Gohnick,

Hanson - Alt

Chamber of Commerce - Pinkelman

Youth Services - Wieland

Commission on Aging - Pinkelman

NEMCSA (Alpena) - Beardslee

Family Independence Agency - Corlew

Strong Family/Safe Children - Corlew

County Collaborative Body - Corlew

Economic Development Fund - Gohnick,

Hanson

Northeast MI Consortium (Atlanta) -

Wieland

Northern MI Substance Abuse (Grayling)

- Pinkelman

Parks Commission - Hanson, Gohnick

Michigan Northern Counties - Wieland,

Corlew - Alt

Library - Corlew, Beardslee - Alt

Northeast MI Co. of Government

(Grayling) - Hanson, Wieland - Alt

Industrial Development - Hanson

---Moved to close nominations and cast a

unanimous vote for Scott Hanson as Board

Chairman.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes is

available in the clerk's office.

Sandra Moore

Clerk/Register of Deeds

The Regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Scott Hanson at 9:37 a.m. in the County Building on December 19, 2001.

Roll Call: Hanson, Gohnick, Pinkelman, Corlew, Wieland and Beardslee.

Absent - None  
Sandra Moore, County Clerk

Register of Deeds - Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present.

Others present at various times.

---Moved to approve the Minutes for the November 21, 2001 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

---Moved to accept the agenda as written.

---Moved to recess the meeting and enter into an Executive Session to discuss Labor

Negotiations (9:42 a.m.).

---Moved to submit the sublease for the Redskins to the Prosecutor's office for

review as soon as it is received from the Fair Board's Insurance Agent.

---Moved to authorize payment of the following claims: General Fund - mileage for

Borchers, representation of children for

Huss, prepaid voucher, payroll and open

invoices on the December 11, 2001 report in

the amount of \$240,269.71; Environmental

Control Fund - cell phone reimbursement

and mileage for Merrill, payroll and open

invoice on the December 11, 2001 report in

the amount of \$3,937.29; Central Dispatch

Fund - mileage for Bastien, prepaid vouchers,

payroll and open invoices on the

December 11, 2001 report in the amount of

\$223,251.20; Building and Zoning -

mileage for Duran, prepaid voucher, payroll

and open invoices on the December 11,

2001 report in the amount of \$10,836.10;

COPS in School Fund - payroll in the

amount of \$7,951.24; Fish Fund - prepaid

vouchers in the amount of \$139.76.

---Moved to accept the 2001 Fish

Hatchery Report and authorize Grayling

Recreation Authority to continue the

Grayling Fish Hatchery operations for 2002.

---Moved to recess the Regular Meeting

and enter into an Executive Session to

review legal opinions with Assistant

Prosecutor Sabin (10:44 a.m.).

---Moved to recess the Executive Session

(11:04 a.m.).

---Moved to accept correspondence as

submitted.

---Moved to adopt a Resolution support-

ing Senate Bill 677 pertaining to the

Secondary Road Patrol and Jail

Reimbursement Programs Funding.

---Moved to authorize reimbursement for

work performed in the Kalkaska County

Clerk's office this past November.

---Moved to request a legal opinion from

the Prosecutor relative to Mr. Borchers' entitle-

ment for retirement health care benefits.

---Moved to enter into the Snowmobile

Enforcement Grant Program Agreement

between the County of Crawford and the

Michigan Department of Natural Resources

through September 30, 2002 in the amount

of \$43,472.20.

---Moved to enter into the Marine Safety Program Grant between the County of Crawford and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for FY2002 in the amount of \$57,595.65.

---Moved to allow an employee to purchase the used Computer Tower, Keyboard and Mouse from the Prosecutors office in the amount of \$100.00.

---Moved to enter into both Union Contract Agreements between the Sheriff, the Board and the Police Officers Association (POAM) effective through 9-30-05 and the Command Officers Association (COAM) effective through 9-30-03 and authorize the Chairman and

Personnel and Labor Chairperson to sign upon receipt and legal review of both contracts.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes is available in the clerk's office.

Sandra Moore

Clerk/Register of Deeds

lic auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amounts due on said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

Land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, is described as follows:

Lot 6, Timberidge Estates, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 3, Crawford County Records.

Tax ID #040-45-920-00-006-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption



# FEATURES

## A Look At Our Past FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago January 18, 1979

Camp Grayling will be the site of a large parachute drop by the 2nd Battalion, 75th Rangers from Ft. Lewis, Washington on Saturday morning, January 20th.

Fourteen C-130 Hercules aircraft will deliver the 500 Active Army troops to the north end of Lake Margrethe where they will drop onto the ice to begin two weeks of winter warfare training at the Camp.

Col. J. R. Lippert, Commander of Camp Grayling, stated that this exercise is a continuation of the expanded usage the Camp has been experiencing for the last several years. The Camp Commander did offer two areas of concern in connection with the parachute drop. The first dealt with the possibility that the weather conditions might, under safety criteria established for peace-time operations, cause the jump to be cancelled. The second area of concern involves the jump zone itself. Lake Margrethe, Lippert noted that there will need to be considerable cooperation from the local residents and spectators to keep both the drop zone and the only major access to the area, M-72, clear of people, cars and snowmobiles.

"Jasper," a 16-month old Golden Retriever, left his local home this past Saturday and was delivered to the Leader Dog School of the Blind in Rochester, Michigan by his "parents," Nancy and Jim Hatfield of Grayling. Although another period of training will be required, Jasper passes his preliminary examination in Rochester and will be carefully matched with a blind citizen, and will thus become a "leader dog for the blind." The Hatfield's raised the dog from a puppy, the result of a

Grayling Lion's Club project, and carefully guided his early training so that the dog could qualify as a leader of the blind. It worked. A contingent of some 20 local citizens accompanied the Hatfield's to Rochester, along with "Nikki," raised by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hickey, another golden retriever who also qualified for the upcoming adventure. A complicated and sophisticated procedure to match a blind person with a leader dog now follows. Doug Wilson, from Black and White Foodland, was credited with helping both families out during their "bringing-up" with lower dog food purchases.

### 46 Years Ago January 19, 1956

A Tuesday afternoon blaze completely destroyed the interior of the Sam Horning home in Grayling last week. The dwelling was almost a total loss, it was said. Fire Chief Middle LaMotte said the fire, believed to have started from defective wiring, smoldered for some time before finally breaching out. No one was at home when the blaze started. The house was occupied by Horning, his wife and their several children. Horning said insurance was carried on the dwelling.

Commuting from his Grayling home to his railroad job in Saginaw, is finally all over for Benjamin DeLaMater of Grayling. Ben says he has come home to stay. For the past 16 years, DeLaMater has driven the 110 miles from Grayling to Saginaw where he worked for the New York Central Railroad. Ben estimates that he has made about 2,000 trips in the past 16 years. This means that he would have traveled about 230,000 miles or a distance of almost 18 times around the

world at the Equator.

Walter F. Truettner announces that as of close of business on January 16, 1956, he has tendered his resignation as President and a Director of the Grayling State Savings Bank of Grayling, Michigan, which he has served since January 20, 1947. Coming from the National Bank of Detroit as one of its Vice-Presidents, he having reached the retirement age prescribed by that bank's pension plan. At this writing, he has completed 56 consecutive years in the banking profession.

### 69 Years Ago January 19, 1933

Things happened down at West Branch last Friday night. Things that are gratifying to followers of Grayling High School's basketball team; things that Grayling hasn't done to West Branch for a school generation at least. To be more definite, Grayling proceeded to mop up the opposition in wholesale style. The first team won 22-4, and the Reserves won also, score 38-8. There was not doubt left as to the decisiveness of these games.

It's a long road that has no turning, and a winning streak that has carried Boyne City's Red and Black basket tossers to triumph in every previous appearance this year come to a dramatic end as Grayling's Northern Lights flared into 28-22 victory Tuesday night. The best crowd of the year went into a state approaching insanity as Coach Willard Cornell's boys drove through with a third quarter spurt that swung the tide. The drive continued as the highly-rated visitors began to show the strain, and clinched the victory in an uproarious final five minutes that had everyone up on the seats until the end. The Grayling Reserves couldn't cope with a speedy, alert St. Mary's five and collapsed in the last period to allow the Gaylord team a

22-10 victory, as the preliminary game.

During the early hour this morning there was a thunder and lightning storm that turned into a blizzard before noon. It seems to be getting colder as the day progresses.

### 92 Years Ago January 20, 1910

Grayling all city team trounced the West Branch team at basketball last Wednesday evening. The score was 51 to 6. After the game the young people enjoyed dancing at the opera house.

We are informed that Mrs. Slade of Gaylord is about to open a market in the old bank building on Cedar Street, vacated recently by S. Phelps Grocery Store.

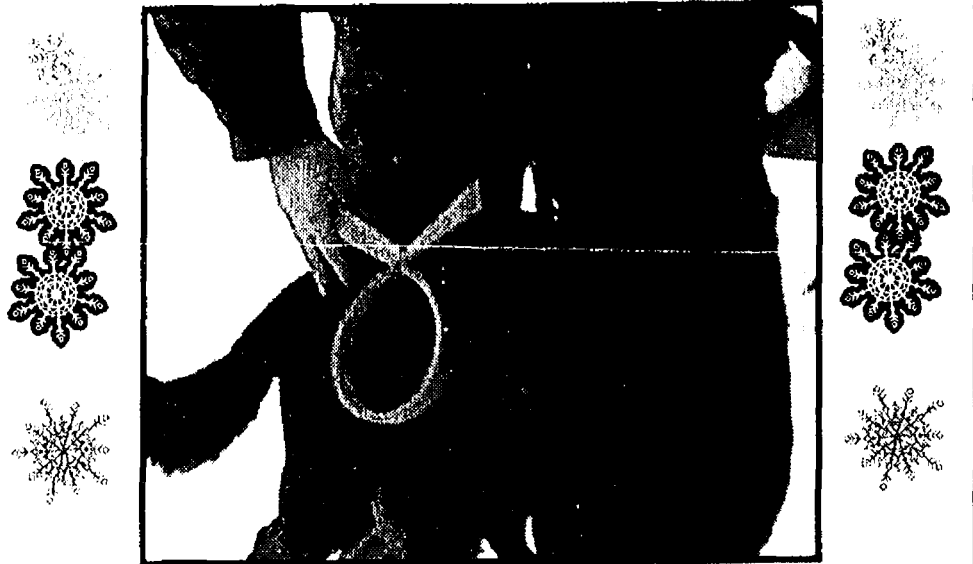
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Crowley of our parish donated a very beautiful pair of adoring angels to St. Mary's Church. They were placed on the altar on Christmas Day and now grace it continually.

The Michelson Lumber Co. has ten dwellings completed and ten more in process of erection in their new city. Seven families have already moved in and more will get there as soon as the weather and deep snow will permit.

On Friday evening Miss Pentland, teacher of the 7th grade, gave her pupils a sleighride out to the home of Andrew Mortenson. The fact that they were tipped into a snowbank and held up by trains did not mar the pleasure, but rather added to the enjoyment of the occasion.

There was a gay old time at the home of John Skingley in Beaver Creek one evening last week, where thirty of their friends assembled and sang and danced the hours away, only leaving after such a banquet as prevented further musical effort. They all say it was immensely pleasant.

## Adopt a Pet



Jesse is a 9 or 10 month old female lab mix. She is very friendly with people and other animals. If you are interested in Jesse or want to know about any of the animals at the shelter, please call 348-4117.

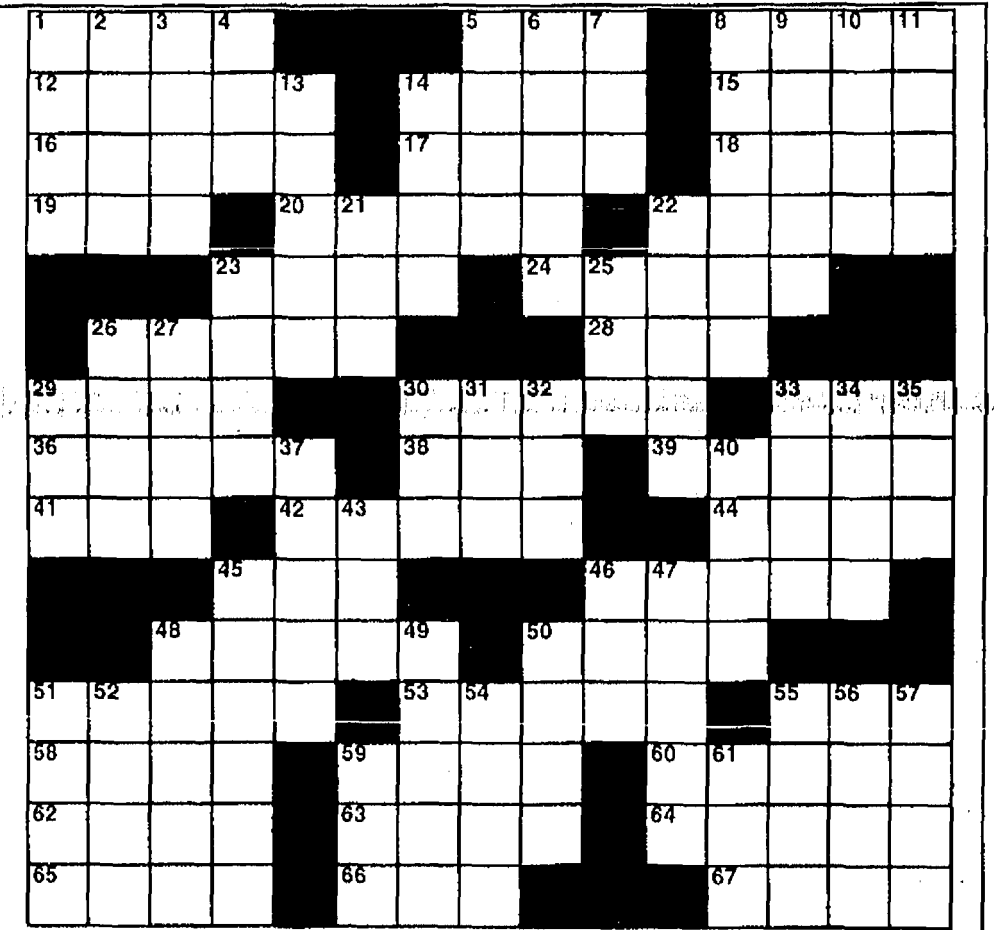
If you are thinking about getting a pet, remember that a pet is a long term commitment. They need vaccinations and have to visit the doctor just as we do. They also need food, water, and attention. A pet who has a lot of attention develops good social habits and manners (something we all need). It is your responsibility to see that your pet doesn't bring unwanted litters into an already overcrowded animal world. Your dog or cat will live an average of 14 years, so if you can't see committing yourself for that long perhaps you should think about a hamster or guinea pig, their life spans are much shorter and, given love and attention, are great pets.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Winter Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9am - 1pm; Sun. and Holidays 8am - 11am  
After hour appointments available.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

- A collection of laws
- An ugly, evil-looking old woman
- Large deer
- Peers
- Spoken in Sulu archipelago
- In \_\_\_ ot; instead of
- Cause friction
- Semitic language
- Current units
- OM
- Rattling breaths
- Rumanian city
- Withered; dry
- Structures built to cross large bodies of water
- Followed by "of", knowing or realizing the existence of
- Pub order
- Narrow strip
- One-seeded fruit
- Actress \_\_\_ McClanahan
- Opponents of tortoisesh
- Seal
- Closes tightly
- Wrath
- \_\_\_ Martin, 007's car
- Not pre-recorded
- Returned Material Authorization: abbr.
- Soviet river
- The absence of war
- Sheep sounds
- Red mineral

- River in South America
- A major division of geological time
- Homer's *Iliad*, for example
- Glide
- Absorption unit
- Subtlety and finesse
- Sums
- Costello's partner
- Bird genus
- Foot (Latin)
- \_\_\_ Spumante (Italian wine)

### DOWN

- Body cavities
- An island of Hawaii
- Aviodipous unit
- Santa's helper
- Type of rabbit
- Get together
- Leg (slang)
- Julia Louis-Dreyfus role on "Seinfeld"
- Arms and legs
- Cap
- Guinea people
- More dried-up
- A discount on prices
- "\_\_\_ you serious?"
- Clearances
- Saliate
- Used to fry eggs
- A growth-regulating chemical sprayed on fruit trees
- One of a similar kind
- Muslim
- The creations of sculptors, painters and photographers
- Prince Andrew's friend
- The compass point that is one point north of due east
- Sky water?
- Protocist genus
- That: Spanish
- Languages of Sulu islands
- Ancient Olympic site
- A pouchlike structure in a plant or animal
- Responds
- Digital Audio Tape: abbr.
- Seaport in Finland
- A folded part (as a fold of skin or muscle)
- Ancient lyric poem
- Pubs
- The 2nd letter of the Greek alphabet
- S. American armadillo with three bands of bony plates
- Fellows
- Declines
- A chaotic group disturbance
- Against: prefix
- Fluid that comes out of trees
- A fabric woven from goat and camel hair

### ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

### WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

### Last Week

Date	H	L	Snow
1/9	38	22	6
1/10	47	37	4
1/11	45	29	3
1/12	34	25	3
1/13	34	23	5
1/14	30	10	5
1/15	30	22	7

### Extended Forecast

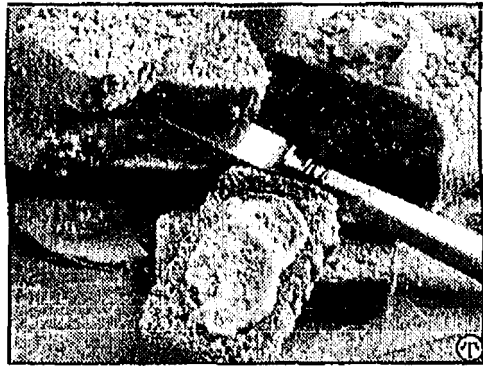
(Courtesy of www.weather.com)

Weather	High	Low	Weather	High	Low
	High	Low		High	Low
26	24	22	25	23	27
17	11	18	15	15	17
Snow Showers	Scattered Snow Showers	Scattered Snow Showers	Mostly Cloudy	Snow Showers	

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

1 container low-fat lemon yogurt  
2/3 cup double strength brewed tea, at room temperature  
1/2 cup honey  
3 tbsps. canola oil  
1 egg  
1 1/2 cups Oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)  
1 1/2 cups whole wheat flour  
1 tbsps. grated lemon peel  
1 tbsps. baking powder  
1/2 tsp. each: Baking soda, salt

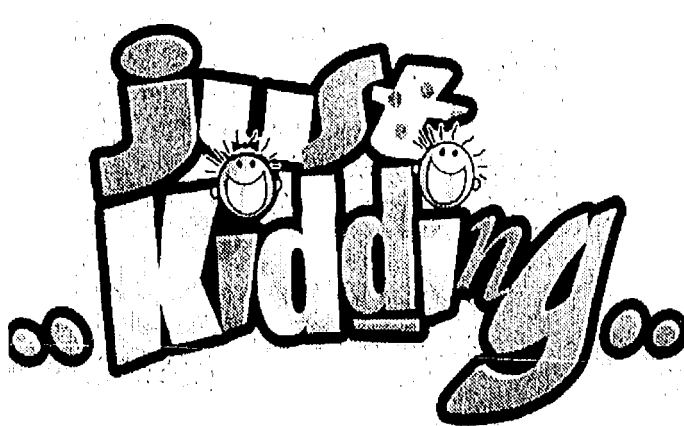
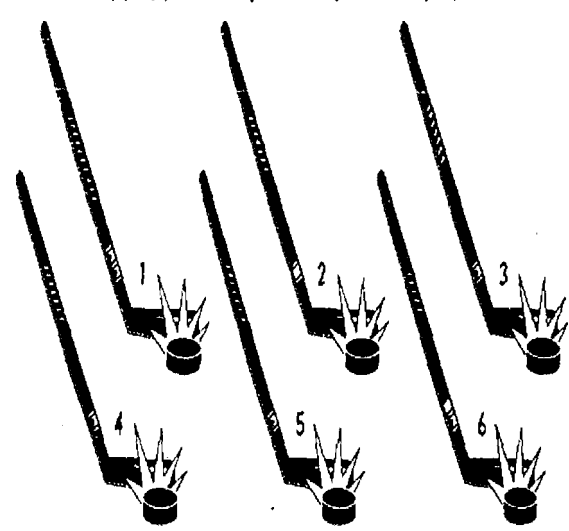
Heat oven to 350°F. Lightly spray two disposable loaf pans (8 1/2 x 4-inch) with cooking spray. In large bowl, combine yogurt, tea, honey, oil and egg with fork; mix well. Stir in oats; let stand 10 minutes. In medium bowl, combine remaining ingredients. Add to oat mixture; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Divide evenly between pans. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center of loaf comes out with a few moist crumbs clinging to it. Cool completely in pans on wire rack. Store tightly wrapped.



Honey Lemon  
Tea Loaf

## FIND THE TWINS

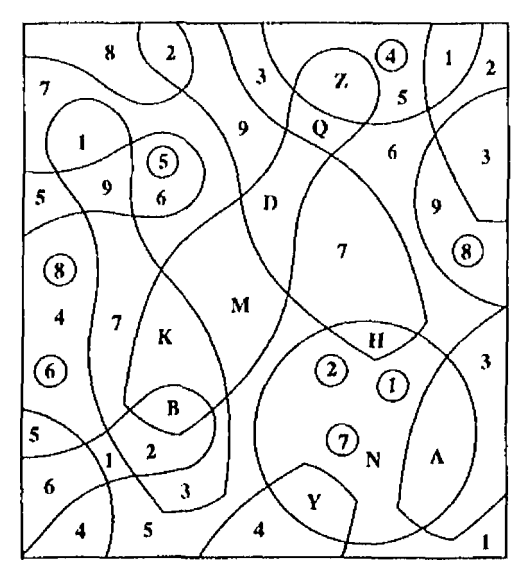
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



## DID YOU KNOW?

There is approximately  
one chicken for every  
human being in the world.

## HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.

# HOROSCOPES

January 2002 - Week 3



Capricorn

December 22-  
January 19

It's a time for special memories. Take pride in your accomplishments and strive to learn from past mistakes. A special friend may have a different outlook—be receptive.



Aries

March 21-  
April 19

You have a special understanding with a friend or loved one. Share your feelings and don't be surprised at what happens. Stick to your budget and work to repay your debt.



Cancer

June 22-  
July 22

This is a time for surprises. Activity will start to swirl around you. Stay focused and keep your ears open so you'll know what's coming next. Deal positively with a recurring health issue.



Libra

September 23-  
October 22

It's your time in the spotlight. Things take a turn your way—maybe it's time to update your image or make that long-awaited move. Something from the past comes back in a new way.



Aquarius

January 20-  
February 18

Now is not the time to make any special demands or unpopular suggestions to friends or coworkers. Respect their feelings and you'll feel better and get more done.



Taurus

April 20-  
May 20

A friend may want to become more than that. Honesty is the best policy. If that's what you want, say so, but don't be afraid to speak up if it's not. Time alone can clear your thoughts.



Leo

July 23-  
August 22

Someone close to you presents a challenge. You can find the answer and put things on the right track. Take advantage of your skills and tackle the project that's waiting.



Scorpio

October 23-  
November 21

Develop your self-confidence and believe in your abilities. What has been going on behind the scenes will move into the spotlight and you'll take the starring role!



Pisces

February 19-  
March 20

Your patience and determination pay off as you achieve a long-awaited goal. A friend or coworker brings you a problem. Don't worry—your intuition is on target.



Gemini

May 21-  
June 21

It's a good idea to keep your thoughts to yourself until you have all the facts about a difficult situation. Buy a little something extra for a special someone.



Virgo

August 23-  
September 22

What a good time to hibernate at home. Family, friends and home are tops on your list and a little time off is just what's needed. Be ready for forgotten feelings to reappear.



Sagittarius

November 22-  
December 21

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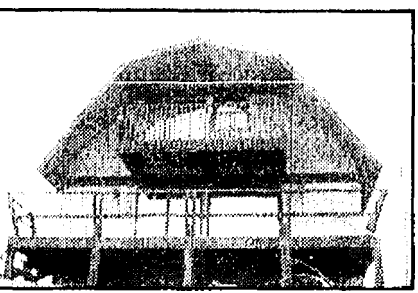
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**BRADFORD LAKE FRONT** - Beautiful log home on Bradford Lake, wood siding, ceiling fans in every room, hot tub, and state land across the lake adds to the beauty of this home. Many amenities in this must-see home! \$296,900 MLS#14409

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**FULL LOG HOME** - Up North dream log home on 1.6 acres that adjoins 1,000's of acres of state land to the back. Amenities include, deck, 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, fireplace, master suite with jet tub, large mud room, full log staircase, log front porch, and central air. Beautiful setting! Seller is a licensed real estate agent. \$175,000 MLS#14739

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**LOG HOME ON POND** - Half-log home with knotty pine interior and full log ridge beam. Real firestone foundation and fireplace. Two bedrooms, two doorways overlooking spring-fed pond. Beautiful setting with large deck overlooking pond. \$115,000 MLS#14317

**NEAT-AS-A-PIN COTTAGE AND BUNKHOUSE** - Bath located in the bunkhouse offering unique facilities including incinerator toilet and Zodi Hot Tap Shower System, woodstove in bunkhouse and garage. Outside well. All this located near the Ausable River and state land. \$39,500 MLS#11924

**COZY LOG HOME** - This is "Up North at its Best!" This cozy log cabin offers 2 bedrooms with bunk beds included, appliances, a 9x20 covered porch, just seconds from Big Creek. The Warbler's Hideaway Association fee of \$100.00 includes pool, shooting range and archery, trout pond for the kids, and much more! \$89,900 MLS#14491

**BEAUTIFUL HOME ON 30 ACRES** - Beauty is the only way to describe this property. 30 acres of mixed hardwoods, grazing fields for horses, 6 parent/garden, a vegetable garden, a 20x24 foot 2-story barn, a chicken coop, garden and wood sheds, a stained glass window, lots of closets, a walk-out basement with an 11x16 foot office which could be used as a 4th bedroom, 2nd construction, and much, much more. Must See! \$179,900 MLS#12560

### RESIDENTIAL HOMES

**CUSTOM-BUILT HOME ON PRIVATE 10 ACRE SETTING** - Beautiful custom-built home on 10 acres of hardwoods with state land adjoining property on 2 sides. Amenities include: master suite with Jacuzzi and walk-in closet, fireplace, and office. Living room has vaulted ceiling and more. It will be brought fully furnished, just move in. \$154,000 MLS#12447

**CHARMING HOME ON 5 ACRES** - This home has much to offer. Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths, ceramic tile floor, 5 acres, large 2.5 car garage with storage and heated workshop. This home has had many recent updates, and is a great value! \$109,000 MLS#13890

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**GREAT CURB APPEAL** - Immaculate home with 12x22 enclosed sunroom, large master bath, decks on 2 sides, oversized garage with concrete floor - electric drive through doors. Park-like setting, approximately 5 miles from Roscommon and near state land. \$109,900 MLS#11128

**NEWER HOME WITH LAKE ACCESS** - Newer home in Dodge Lake Subdivision Association offers lake access. Amenities offers lake access. Amenities include 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, appliances, 30x30 pole barn, fenced-in yard, vinyl siding, chain-link fence in back and Gaylor Schools. \$105,000 MLS#14688

**GREAT HOME NEAR LAKE MARGRETHE** - This older modular has been completely remodeled!! New carpet, insulation, doorwall, plumbing and flooring. All appliances, including 30x30 pole barn, front and rear doors, new well pit cover. Back yard is fenced in. Nice decks, large garage, shed and a playhouse. All close to Lake Margrethe. Great little home! \$72,500 MLS#14111

**CHARMING HOME AND MOBILE** - Two, possibly 3-bedroom home on double lot with close river access. Backstop drive, heated detached garage, 24x24 carport for RV storage. Home is decorated in warm neutral tones with attention to quality. Track & recessed lighting, custom kitchen, Pulla windows, 12x60 mobile home also on property currently being used as a rental with good income. 10x16 deck, and more! \$95,000 MLS#13646

**WELL CARED-FOR HOME** - Well maintained home on 2.5 acres includes stove, hot water heater & dryer. Located in a private setting and just minutes away from the "Flies Only" area of the Ausable River. \$89,900 MLS#13608

**LARGE REMODELED HOME** - Large 4 bedroom home recently remodeled with new carpet, drywall, ceramic tile, roof and siding, fenced yard. This is truly a must see! Sellers are licensed real estate agents. \$99,900 MLS#10426

**WONDERFUL HOME IN THE CITY** - Great starter home, close to schools, with 3 bedrooms, and an attached garage. Sunroom and fence, back yard, and ready to move into. \$55,000 MLS#14318

**HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE** - Comfortable home for those with unique features for the handicapped person, including: ramp, wide doorways, ramp to the 10x40 lap pool to adjoining 26x50 solar heated building, full basement under old part of home, new enclosed front porch. This home is a must see! \$85,000 MLS#12985

**LIKE NEW MODULAR HOME** - Just like brand new, this 3 bedroom home was set on property in 1999. Neat and clean, with fireplace, bay window, double pane windows, 640 acre of state land across the road, and less than 1 mile from the Ausable River. \$79,900 MLS#13350

**NICE YARD FOR GROWING FAMILY** - Nice older single family home in the City of Grayling. Home offers a nice double lot with a fenced in yard for privacy. Two bedrooms, family room, game room, deck and sunroom and fence, back yard. This home is a must see to appreciate. \$57,000 MLS#14047

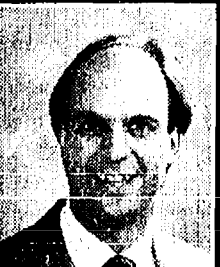
**CHARMING HOME IN CITY** - Quiet, charming older home in the City of Grayling. New carpet, new siding, new doors off dining room to a 8x22 foot deck. Cement drive and home warranty. \$43,900 MLS#14920

**WELL MAINTAINED HOME ON 2.5 ACRES** - Very well maintained 3 bedroom home with a large 24x32 garage. To include stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer. New drain field in 1999. Option to buy 5 acres adjacent for \$14,900. Close to state land and snowmobile trails. \$75,900 MLS#13126

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**MOBILE HOME ON 20 ACRES NEAR LOVELLS** - Don't miss this nice mobile with all the amenities of convenience, seclusion and privacy. Approximately 80% wooded with many young pines. Home has 2 decks, newer windows and pump, insulated well, concrete slab, 8x12 wood shed, older 2nd mobile with well, electric, septic. Close to North Branch of the Ausable River, state land, lakes, ORV and snowmobile trails. \$87,900 MLS#3288



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**DEEDED MANISTEE RIVER ACCESS** Adjoins Ausable State Forest. Cottage recently moved to site. New 1,250 gal. Septic system, electrical, well, 5 block crawl space. Recently surveyed. Hook up for wood stove. Most contents/furnishings are included. CH-1486 \$42,000



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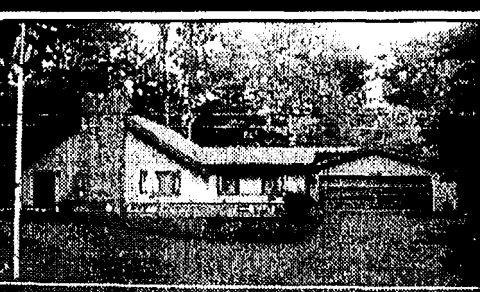
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**LOCATION LOCATION LOCATION!** This beautiful home offers vaulted ceilings with an open floor plan, slider door onto wood deck off dining room, oak kitchen cabinets, island bar, 2 car attached garage. Vinyl siding. Located in nice quiet neighborhood, close to town. Fresh paint throughout. CS-1457 \$89,900



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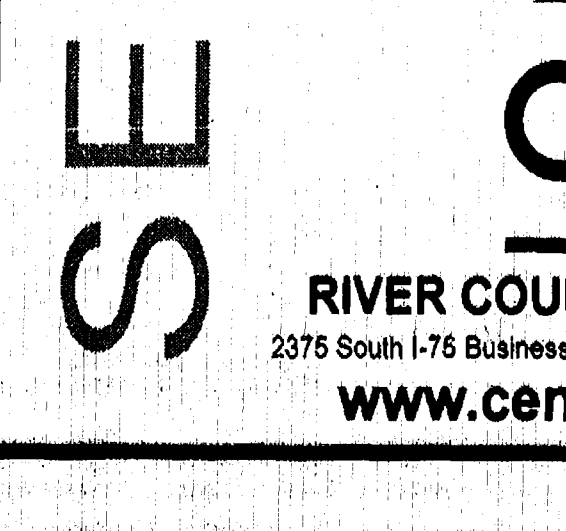
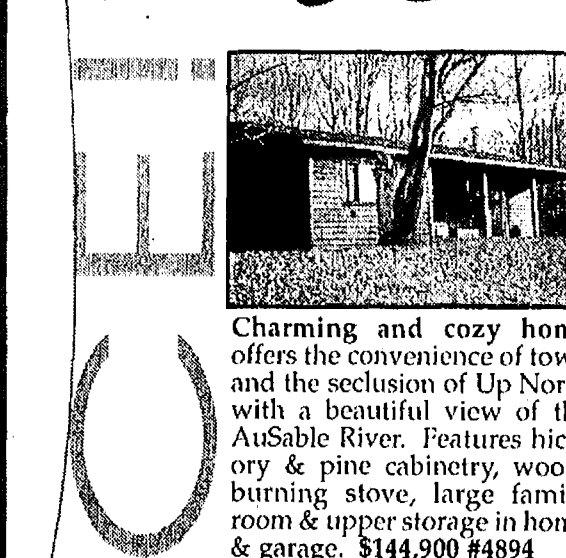


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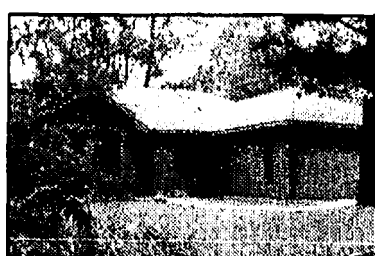
**Great up north Getaway!** Mobile features fireplace, hot tub room, extensive decking & garage. Nice location with the mainstream of AuSable just 1/2 mile north of property. Near state land & snowmobile trails. Handicap accessible. \$37,000 #4883



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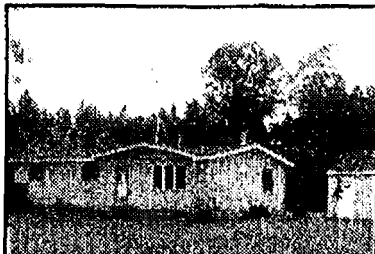
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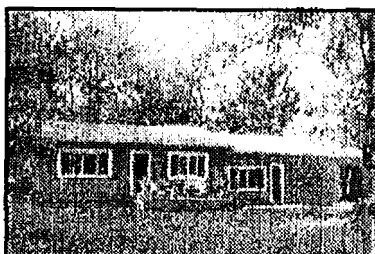
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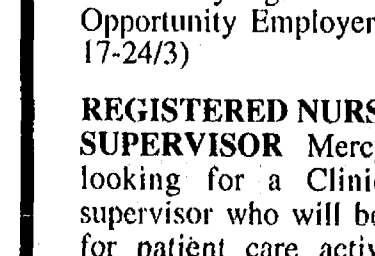
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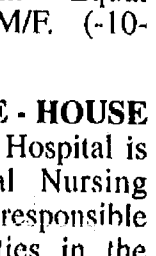
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**ARCHERY CLUB NEWS** To all Archers of Crawford County and surrounding areas. The Bear's Bowmen are about to embark on a new year of activities at the Archery Club. To start with we would like to invite anyone who enjoys archery for fun or for hunting, traditional or compound single or family, come on out to the Club House at Hanson Hills Recreation Area and have some fun. Beginning January 22, 2002, that's on a Tuesday evening at 7. Also Moms and Dads if you have a son or daughter who wants to shoot competitively bring them out also. Come on out and join us and make this club one that Fred Bear would be proud of. (-17/8)

**8. Announcements**  
**ANY NON-PROFIT OR** government agency wishing to bid on local FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Funds must submit their proposals and certification forms to the Crawford County Family Independence Agency by January 18, 2002. Crawford County has been awarded a grant of \$8,282. Funds will be divided based on proposals meeting criteria to assist local residents with emergency food and shelter, supplementing or extending existing programs. If interested, contact Sue McNally at 989-344-5129 for the appropriate forms. (-10-17/8)

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**BEAR ARCHERY EMPLOYEE REUNION/Fred Bear's 100th Birthday Celebration.** Where: Grayling Holiday Inn. When: Tuesday, March 5, 2002. A time to reflect with old and new friends. Buffet Dinner, R.S.V.P. Call Pete at 989-348-8627 (1/10/02) (-17/8)

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**9. Personals**  
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**IF YOU SEE** Rick Hoag on January 22, wish him a Happy 40th Birthday! Love, Missy, Shane and all your family and friends. (-17/9)

**11. Automotive**

**CHEVY SUBURBAN** 1995, 4 WD, towing package, one owner, dark green, air, power seat, windows, locks, great condition. \$9,400. 989-348-7263 (-17/11)

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